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ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY OF SHANGHAI

Members are reminded that the Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the Metropole Hotel TO-DAY, December 9, at 5.30 p.m.

A. J. EVANS,
Hon. Secretary.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I have been appointed Manager of this Company's Shanghai Branch.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Shanghai, December 8, 1938.

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NOTICE

As and from December 1, 1938, we have appointed Messrs. Reiss, Bradley & Co., Ltd. as our Sole Agents in North China.

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IN THE MATTER OF

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At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company, duly convened, and held at its Registered Office, 1 Nanking Road, Shanghai, on the Seventh day of December, 1938, the following Special Resolution was duly passed:—

That Zikawei Estates & Investment Co. Ltd. be wound up voluntarily, and that FRANCIS EDWARD SMITH of 1, Nanking Road, Shanghai, be and is hereby appointed Liquidator to conduct the winding up.

W. R. LAMBERT,
Chairman.

Shanghai, December 7, 1938.

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To-day's Events

DECEMBER

9 Fun Fair, Union Church Hall, 5-7
9 Anzac Society of Shanghai, annual general meeting, 12 The Bund, 5.30
9 Shai. Dialect Cl., For. Y.M.C.A., 6
9 For. Y. 'Hour of Music,' 6
9 'The Women,' Lyceum, 9

Coming Events

DECEMBER

10 Fun Fair, Union Ch. Hall, 10-12, 2-6
10 J.R.C. annual dance, A.W.C., 9
10 'The Women,' Lyceum, 9
11 B.W.A. Ann. Ser. Cathedral, 10.30 a.m.
11 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
12 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, Y.M.C.A., 3
12 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
12 B.U.S.C. Musical, Supper, Dance evening at the Dome, 9
12 'Old Carthusian' Soc. dinner, S'hai. Club.
13 For. Y. Lecture: 'Social Observations,' 9
14 S.L.H.A. Tea Dance, Ciro's
14 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Rd., Public Lecture, 6
15 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
15 Royal Asiatic Society Meeting
15 'The Mascot,' music by E. Odran, Russian Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
15 For. Y. Debate: 'Chinese Morals and Movies,' 9
16 Shai. Dialect Cl., For. Y.M.C.A., 6
16 For. Y. 'Hour of Music,' 6
16 'Goldmarie und Pechmarie,' German A.D.C., Lyceum, 9
17 'Goldmarie und Pechmarie,' German A.D.C., Lyceum, 3
17 S'hai Rowing Club Jubilee Dance
17 Heidelberg Xmas Prize Draw, 8
17 'The Mascot,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
18 Cathedral Carol Service, 6
18 'The Mascot,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
20 For. Y. Lecture: 'Diet and Health,' 9
21 Cathedral Carol Service, 5.45
21 French A.D.C., 'Ruy Blas 38', Lyc., 9
21 19th Annual Hanuccah Ball, 9.30
22 Cathedral School for Boys, Speech Day, Masonic Hall at 5.30.
22 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
22 For. Y. Debate: 'Enslaved Women,' 9
23 Shai. Dialect Cl., For. Y.M.C.A., 6
23 For. Y. 'Hour of Music,' 6
27 For. Y. Lecture: 'Nutritional Values,' 9
29 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
29 Rummage Sale, U.C. Hall, Limbless Fund
29 Royal Asiatic Society Meeting
29 7th Rover Ball, Masonic Hall, 9
29 For. Y. Debate: 'Pacifism and Warmakers,' 9
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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from December 21 to December 28, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Secretaries.

Shanghai, December 8, 1938.

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J. S. EYNON,
Major, R.A.P.C.,
Area Paymaster,
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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from the 8th to the 14th December 1938, both days inclusive.

Shareholders are requested to notify the General Managers promptly of any change of address that may have taken place since the last dividend or preferably to supply the General Managers with the address of their Bankers to whom Dividend Warrants will be sent direct.

Dividend Warrants for Chinese Shareholders will be retained in our office and may be had on application at any time during ordinary office hours.

Shareholders intending to ask questions in regard to the Accounts or other matters are requested to give notice of such intention at least 48 hours before the Meeting.

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French Ambassador's Departure
Local Sports
Local Weddings

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Reminiscences:

The Chinese Labour Corps

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The editorial in your issue of 2 November last under the heading "Chinese Labour Corps" rouses personal reminiscences which may be of some general interest.

My association with the corps began when the late Mr. R. W. Swallow, a close friend, asked my assistance in a sudden emergency. He was en route to join the C.L.C. at the Weihaiwei camp. He had been requested to bring some Interpreter Clerks with him but had recruited only one whom he had brought all the way from Tientsin. Two days before leaving Shanghai this man deserted him. Mr. Swallow was much concerned and asked me to help him to get a substitute. It seemed impossible to do so at such notice especially in view of the vicious German propaganda against the C.L.C. in the Chinese Press. (Nowadays such anti-British propaganda is being carried on by wireless and in the English language which is more far reaching though obviously so rankly prejudiced as to be less effective).

Fortunately I got him an ex B.A.T. employee who had been for several years a sort of boy, clerk and interpreter all combined of a District Inspector speaking the Northern dialect. He was very intelligent but certainly did not possess the absurdly high standard of education required for 1st class Interpreters. He refused to go in any other capacity and Mr. Swallow guaranteed to pay his fare back to Shanghai if he failed to qualify as such.

Up to that time some of the so-called 1st class Interpreter Clerks already in France had not proved satisfactory although they had the regulation qualifications. They were too young and inexperienced and often resented the discipline to which they were necessarily subjected.

The man I luckily secured for Mr. Swallow was a man of about 35, a rough and ready type, accustomed to carry out instructions and give them to others. He made an excellent impression on those in charge of the camp.

Mr. G. S. Moss, of the Consular Service who had been seconded for duty as Secretary of the camp at Weihaiwei, requested me to send them more men of the same type. I agreed provided all those sent were given 1st class rank. From that time the regulations for the appointment of 1st class Interpreter Clerks were less rigidly applied.

I recruited quite a number all of whom it was said to my great satisfaction proved to be among the best of their class in France. I received many very interesting letters from these men whilst in France. For some I acted as trustee for their salaries paid in China and obtained work for many of them on their return home after the war.

My chief difficulty arose from the German propaganda referred to in the Shanghai Chinese Press suggesting harsh treatment of the C.L.C. in France. This was successfully countered by the publication of the facts including letters from men already at the front.

I paid a visit to the camp at Weihaiwei on the invitation of Mr. Moss. It was in the month of November and I travelled direct in an unrecorded sailing of the Empress of Asia which I boarded at Woosung after midnight.

I was greatly impressed with the remarkable efficiency of a big emergency organization created, almost one might say, 'over night' handling the recruiting, instruction, drilling, regimentation, equipment, means of identification and embarkation of thousands of coolies every month, sifting out undesirables, selecting a superior type as 'gangers' for every 10 coolies and generally preparing them in every way to perform the duties required of them in France. There it is common knowledge they discharged them in a highly satisfactory manner.

There were no evidences of any dissatisfaction with their treatment by the Chinese employed in France. Indeed the organization as a whole proved in every respect of great value and reflected the highest credit from start to finish on those in executive control of it.

Whilst at the camp I had an opportunity to witness the embarkation of about, I think, 1,200 coolies. This contingent travelled to France via Canada and sailed to Vancouver on the Empress of Asia. The men were marched on board huge specially constructed lighters in a certain order each 10 men under the supervision of the Chinese gang leader. They filed off the lighter on to the ship in reverse order and, under the supervision of the officers in charge, every man of the contingent was marched directly, and without any break in the order or the least confusion, to the position prepared for him in advance to occupy. The whole operation occupied less than two hours. The embarkation of this large body of men was an unforgettable masterpiece of organization. Incidentally it was carried out in a heavy snowstorm. It must be said also that the Chinese responded admirably, on this occasion as always, to the efficient leadership of their British Officers most of whom could speak to them in their own Chinese dialect.

Incidentally there is food for reflection in the fact that in physique and natural intelligence these coolies sent to France were probably unexcelled by those of any other nationality. What is still more significant, in view of current events of tremendous import to China and the world, there are teeming millions in China of the same fine calibre. In addition to these great qualities the Chinese as a race are naturally passive and unaggressive and the world at large has nothing to fear and much to gain by China's reconstruction on the basis of modern scientific conceptions if she is permitted, as defined at the Washington Conference of 1922, "a free and unembarrassed opportunity to develop her economic resources and maintain for herself an effective and stable Government, and on such secure foundations that all outside intervention may be eliminated."

As a last reference to the C.L.C. it is not inappropos perhaps to say that those qualities manifested in the remarkable efficiency of its British Officers in the C.L.C. organization are inherent in the British race. They are responsible for the building up of "a vaster Empire than has been" whose influence in the promotion of progressive human welfare has been and is now wholly beneficent. It is important to remember that it is still the psychological attributes of the man behind the gun that largely determines its effectiveness. Nothing can change the national character—the splendid heritage of ages of evolutionary processes. The muddy stream of anti-British propaganda now let loose will impress none of sufficient intelligence to accept and to be guided by obvious facts.

A. J. HUGHES.

Batavia, Nov. 22.

P.S.—My work in connection for the C.L.C. was unknown to any but those directly concerned. It occupied much time and effort for nearly two years without rank or pay. May I add with pardonable pride that I was amply rewarded, on the closure of the camp at Weihaiwei at the end of the war by the receipt of letters of appreciation for my services from the Commandant of the Camp Major Bourne and Mr. G. S. Moss.—A.J.H.

Japan's Position:

"The Economists'" View

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—A recent issue of "The Economist" (London, Oct. 29, 1938) shows very interestingly how "Japan pays" for the so-called China Incident or undeclared war against China. In part, "The Economist" concludes as follows:

> The picture of Japan's economic position.....is unhappy, but not yet desperate. The strain of the war is imposing severe sacrifices on the Japanese people, distorting the economic structure of the country and undermining its international competitive position. But nothing has yet reached cracking point. Another year of war expenses as heavy as the last, however, would greatly intensify the stresses and strains. Inflation would have to be continued and, as is its nature, might well quicken its pace. The exhaustion of raw material stocks will lame the export industries, while any fall in the exchange value of the yen, which may become inevitable, would increase the cost of pursuing the war.
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> It is thus becoming a matter of urgent necessity for Japan to bring the financial and economic drain of the war to an end. But this may well prove far more difficult for the Japanese army than the capture of Shanghai, Canton and Hankow, and if the economic strain continues, with no relief to the standard of living of the Japanese worker, without the comforting glory of conquests, but merely with the hard work of "pacification," even the patient Japanese worker and peasant may begin to object.
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> Perhaps as much concern must be exercised in Japan over the post-war prospects as over the present costs. All her past wars have been turned to her economic benefit; after the wars, indemnities from the victim were augmented by heavy foreign loans and investments in Japan, and industry boomed. After this war, Japan will have the serious problem of shifting the drive from military to peace-time purposes, unaided by any indemnity from China, or by any loans from Europe or America.
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> These calculations are very present to all the wiser heads in Japan. If Japanese policy were decided by reason, they would lead to an immediate peace with China on such terms as could be secured by negotiation. But the Japanese generals have shown before that they have no patience with economics. They may yet prove strong enough to ruin their country.

C. H. LEE.

Shanghai, Dec. 8.

Pecheurs de Perles:

Who Was Responsible?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—We are instructed by our client Mrs. L. Chen, residing at 575 Rue Lafayette, to reply to the letter which has appeared under the above heading in the issue of December 7 of your esteemed paper.

The news therein contained is misleading and might convey a wrong impression to the public which we wish to correct.

Our client Mrs. Chen was asked by the Chinese Women's League to take charge of and to assist in the performance of the opera "Pêcheurs de Perles" which had to take place in the Metropole Theatre on September 15 and 16 and which performances owing to last-minute difficulties could not take place and had to be postponed to some future date.

Our client, Mrs. Chen, as agreed to by the Chinese Women's League, has duly rendered account for all the moneys collected and spent by her in connection with the said intended performances and is holding a confirmation to this effect from the Chartered Accountants Messrs. Shu Sun Fan & Co., 406 Kiangse Road, and which is open to the inspection of any interested party in our office.

Our client, Mrs. Chen, is no longer connected with the said representation and has tendered her resignation which was accepted.

We hope that the above information will fully clear up Mrs. Chen's position in this matter, in which she has acted for purely charitable reasons and which has absolutely nothing to do with the Grand Opera de Shanghai and its future activity in Shanghai.

MUSSO, FISCHER & WILHELM.
Attorneys for Mrs. L. Chen.

Shanghai, Dec. 8.

Chinese New Years:

Twelve Dates Wanted

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Could you or any of your readers please give me the exact dates of the Chinese New Year Day (according to the old Chinese Calendar) for the coming twelve years, say about until the year 1950.

A. M.

Shanghai, Dec. 8.

A BIG Chinese federated corporation, says a report to the "Wen Wei Pao," is being organized by Shanghai and Hongkong industrialists for the purpose of boosting overseas sales of Chinese manufactured goods. The new corporation will be capitalised at $200,000. The promoters will take up two-thirds of the shares, and the remaining one-third will be sold in the open market. Branch offices will be set up in British Malaya and other parts of the Southseas Islands.

The Old Watchman Retires

Nazi Anti-Rumania Campaign Grows

Mme. Lupescu Pilloried As "Jewish Influence" Behind King Carol

Berlin, Dec. 6.

German newspapers today continued their furious anti-Rumanian campaign roused by the "butchery" of Captain Cornelius Codreanu, jailed Fascist Iron Guard leader who was shot while attempting to escape.

The press openly places the responsibility for this incident upon King Carol and "his Jewish mistress, Madame Lupescu."

The "National Zeitung" wrote on December 4, that "It should be noted that the too well-known Madame Lupescu, whose influence in Bucharest political circles seems to have grown even more, is now declared in informed circles to be maintaining a secret service of her own in the various Rumanian Ministries and bureaus—thanks to powerful, financial aid."

The "Lokal Anzeiger" reproduced this morning a report from Amsterdam under the heading of, "Jewess Lupescu Responsible for This Murder."

"Der Angriff" published, in the guise of a biblical story about Esther, Mardochee and Xerxes, a transparent account of the influence exerted by Jewesses upon the Rumanian Court through the King's favourite. To leave no doubt as to the persons meant, this newspaper also printed a portrait of Mme. Lupescu under the title, "Jewess Friend of the King."

In closing the article, "Der Angriff" again takes care to specify, "Whoever can read between the lines can read this story as a present-day account."—Havas.

'Xmas Hams Go Up in Smoke in Trinidad

Warehouse with English Cargo Bursts Into Flames

Port of Spain, Dec. 7.

Eleven blazing lighters, floating slowly through the harbour here early today, formed a spectacular sequel to the biggest fire seen in this city for six years.

A Customs warehouse, stacked with Christmas hams and tons of general cargo, which yesterday had been unloaded from a ship from England, suddenly burst into flames.

The warehouse was completely destroyed, and loaded lighters, moored alongside, quickly caught fire. They were towed to the sea and sunk.—Reuter.

Million Settlers for Manchoukuo

Tokyo, Dec. 7.

One million young Japanese will be sent to Manchoukuo for settlement in the near future, according to the "Asahi Shimbun" today.

Already 20,000 youthful pioneers have been sent to Manchoukuo and are receiving mass training and 6,000 families arrived in Manchoukuo as settlers to be increased to 13,000 next year, according to the paper. Each volunteer is to get Y.888 as subsidy for three years' training.—Domei.

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Britain's Fiduciary Note Issue Raised

Measure Taken to Meet Seasonal Demands

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 7.

Sir John Simon, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that as from yesterday, the fiduciary note issue, reduced from £260,000,000 sterling to £200,000,000 in 1936, had been temporarily raised to £230,000,000, to meet seasonal demands.

The fiduciary issue is that part of the note issue covered by assets other than gold, and the present move is a technical one, releasing an extra £30,000,000 sterling worth of notes to strengthen the Bank of England's reserve.

A similar step was taken last year.—Reuter.

U.S. President Line to Charter Ships

San Francisco, Dec. 6.

Confirming reports that the American President Line was seeking to charter other ships, the president of the Line, Mr. Joseph R. Sheehan, today said the firm had submitted offers to charter three freighters from the Munson Line, the Southern Cross, the Pan-American, and the Western World.—United Press.

Ten More N.Y.K. Ships On Hamburg Run

Tokyo, Dec. 7.

Ten liners of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, aggregating to 100,000 tons have been assigned to the Yokohama-Hamburg route to augment the increase in freight and passenger traffic between Japan and Germany, it was announced here today. The Suwa Maru was the first to start on this new schedule leaving Yokohama on Monday.—Domei.

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France to Spend More on Navy

Specialists Lacking to Cope with Needs of Big Defence Programme

Paris, Dec. 7.

The Finance Commission of the Chamber yesterday examined the naval estimates for 1939, amounting to Frs. 8,175,000,000, of which Frs. 5,500,000,000 are covered by the National Defence Fund.

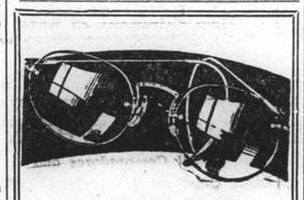
The total represents an increase of Frs. 3,500,000,000, compared with the 1938 estimates.

This is the result of the speeding up of the building programme, the construction of coastal defence works, and anti-aircraft defence measures.

At the same time, it should be noted that Frs. 1,000,000,000 have been absorbed to cover the deficiency in the 1938 budget.

M. Pietri, former Minister of Marine, said that he regretted the shortage of specialists and effectives in the French Navy.

M. Candace, Budget Rapporteur, emphasized the necessity of a substantial increase in the pay of officers and men, declaring that specialists were tempted from navy to private and State controlled industries, owing to higher wages.—Reuter.



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FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF DECEMBER 9, 1878

We this morning publish a letter on the subject of the prices of admission to the Lyceum on the occasion of theatrical and other entertainments. We cannot but think that both our correspondents have taken the right step in advocating a reduction; if only for the sake of ensuring more numerous audiences. Nothing scarcely tends so much to the enjoyment of a performance of any kind than a full house—the actors are inspirited thereby, and everything is more likely to "go off" well. But the damping influence of a "yawning, cavernour pit" and nearly empty boxes it is well-nigh impossible to describe. It is, therefore, to be hoped that the experiment of lowered prices will at least be tried. We feel convinced that no financial loss would be sustained but, on the contrary, are inclined to think that the reverse would obtain. With the present prices, Private boxes, to hold four, $10, dress circle and stalls $3, pit $2, and gallery $1, it seems impossible to look for more than a half-filled house, however great the attraction offered may be. The subject is well worth the consideration of those in authority.

UNLESS commissioned to do so, high Chinese officials and military leaders will not be permitted to reside in either Hongkong or Shanghai, as a result of a recent order promulgated by the Military Affairs Commission, says the "Ta Wan Pao." Those found guilty of disobeying this order, the report adds, will be severely dealt with.

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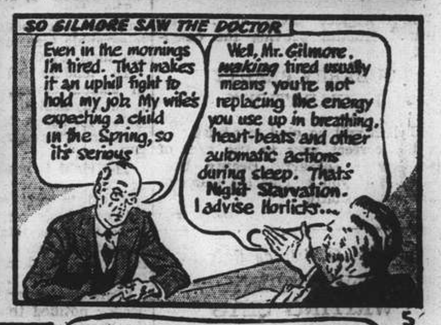

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WOMAN'S PAGE

A London Letter

By Olive Dun

London, Nov. 5.

"Punch's" Christmas number arrived on the breakfast table and on opening the newspaper the first thing I saw was a column headed "Christmas Mails," with adjurations to "post early." Outside, the garden, where more roses are blooming than at any time in the summer, was full of sunshine. The autumn has been abnormally warm. Jeremiahs tell us gloomily that "we shall pay for it presently." Meanwhile it is extremely hard to think of Christmas; and since the feature of that article on Christmas mails is to dwell on the swiftness of aerial posts all over the world, I do not see why the editor need be so hasty to rush us into winter before autumn is half over. Already the skurry and time-saving appliances of modern life do mischief enough in eating up our days before they are fairly begun.

This Schiaparelli-dressed lady is wearing a jacket of rose wool with a skunk collar. Her skunk "pin wheel" hat is trimmed with gay wings.

Nevertheless one can hardly be too soon in wishing Shanghai readers as pleasant a Christmas as may be and a happier New Year. In their misfortunes, which from all the news one fears must be great, they can at least console themselves with the thought that their brave stand against adversity has received many warm tributes here.

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The Woman's Fair

Posters depicting a young woman with abnormally long legs flying over the bonnet of a car—the modern version presumably of throwing your bonnet over the wind mills—have for some weeks excited our anticipations of the Woman's Fair at Olympia which has opened this week. It really is the greatest fun, with a colossal aluminium statue of Venus smiling from the clouds of rainbow drapery which cover the roof and fill the great hall with a soft and becoming radiance. Everything is designed to persuade a woman that, however niggardly Nature may have been to her, she can nevertheless be beautiful. For a practical demonstration, one may get free beauty treatment at numbers of stalls, free arrangement of hair, free manicuring. I should like to send all the young married women who so deplorably let themselves run to seed a few years after marriage to this show. The divorce courts would be put out of business.

There was of course immense curiosity to see the 12 Queens of Beauty, each one dressed to represent a particular aspect of woman's adornment. For some weeks they have been trained in deportment, for they have been picked from shops and factories all over England. They were not a little nervous, but this only added to their natural charms. Each one receives £50, and at the end of the show one is to be elected Queen Beautiful and will get no less than £250. How will she ever settle down to her shop or factory after that?

The fashion theatre, which holds 1,500 people, is crammed for every performance. This, instead of the usual parade along a raised pathway, is like a revue. Tweed-costumed young women declare their garments to the most considerate customs officials ever known; dancers display appropriate dresses in every dance from minuet to shimmy; and a conjuror produces exquisitely gowned mannequins from a box previously proved to be empty or manufactures Ascot hats from wisps of paper.

Besides costumes and cosmetics there is everything a woman can want for a home—model cottages and flats, sets of furniture for either from as little as £100 complete, model gardens from pocket handkerchief size upwards, nurseries to demonstrate the most scientific way of coping with your offspring, and of course aids to housekeeping and cookery beyond number. One of the most ingenious is an electric stove which can be set to begin roasting the joint at any hour you please and turn itself off when the roasting is done.

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Domestic Workers' Charter

And in connection with household matters, it must be mentioned that the newly-formed National Union of Domestic Workers has now drawn up its charter of what it considers proper working conditions. These on the whole strike one as unexpectedly mild. Fixed hours for meals with no unnecessary interruption of them; 88 hours' work a fortnight for girls under 18 and 96 for girls over that age, divided out by the number of days, still mean a fair lot of work; and 14 days' holiday a year on board wages; these are not unreasonable demands. It is also stipulated that "resident workers" (what a lovely phrase) of over 18 must be paid at least 18s a week in London and 15s elsewhere, and I should like to know where maids worth having are to be got at the price.

The two prescriptions which already excite controversy are that maids are not to be compelled to wear caps, and must be called "Miss" So-and-so instead of by their Christian names. Oddly enough the girls do not seem to welcome it. Several have been interviewed by the popular press already. The majority said they would feel "strange-like" without a cap, ane nearly all thought that to be called by their Christian name "seems more home-like, if you follow me."

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Arts and Crafts

From Olympia to Burlington House is a long journey in all senses. I came away from the Arts and Crafts Society's exhibition feeling rather like one of Bunthorne's 20 lovesick maidens. Perhaps this is not quite fair. Much of the display strikes one as preposterous, if not hideous—pottery of coarse material, crude shapes and uncouth decoration purposely aping the primitives but wholly without their vitality; statuettes a long way after Epstein, and posters and woodcuts lamely limping after Picasso. Who on earth can genuinely take pleasure in such stuff?

But there is also much that is truly beautiful. The furniture designers have lived through the excessive eccentricities of a few years ago and are producing new shapes which well show off the new woods, unvarnished walnut, birch and ash. Only the prices are terrifying, £73.15s for instance for a walnut wood writing bureau, and £53 for a toilet table, neither of which suggest superhuman labour. It is interesting to notice that by far the best designs are for radio sets and cocktail cabinets—the old truth that new requirements stimulate craftsmen to the most vital work.

Many of the textiles are beautiful, varying in weight from gossamer to heavy winter curtains, some hand-woven, others designs for the machine. There is much beautiful silver among which one is bound to say the most graceful is from Sweden, the only foreign contribution that I saw. And some of the statuary is delightful, especially a hippopotamus, and some circus types in glazed earthenware by a lady named Kitty Evershed. The section devoted to ecclesiastical art, altar vessels and crosses, and designs for stained glass windows, are of an exceptionally high level.

What I liked best was the printing and bookbinding. There must be something in the printer's craft which simply forbids "artiness." Even in illuminated addresses, where Gothic type is employed, the type is dignified and restrained; while the Roman type, large or small, was really a joy. All the bookbinding, red, green, blue or purple, beautifully tooled, was exquisite: one particularly noted the taste with which the binding was adapted to the nature of the book. There is much to be said for the French custom of publishing books in paper covers and leaving the purchaser to choose a binding suitable to his collection.

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Fierce Non-Smokers

It is not often nowadays that one hears of non-smokers as, distinct from those who don't smoke, a sort of militant creed. But they have lately arisen to fall foul of the London Passenger Transport Board for not putting enough non-smoking carriages in tube trains. There is, by the way, a curious difference between tubes and the old underground: on the former smoking carriages predominate, on the latter non-smoking, and as there are many more tube than underground trains the non-smokers are kicking. There is, it seems, a National Society of Non-Smokers, founded by a retired member of the Stock Exchange, which has absorbed two older societies, the British Anti-Narcotic League and the British Union of Non-Smokers. I do not quite see why people cannot be contented to abstain from smoking, without forming themselves into a league, though in some of their aims one may sympathize with them. For instance, smoking in theatres might be forbidden, and in restaurants there might be a rigid time limit before which smoking is not allowed. Even in most men's clubs I am told smoking is not allowed in the dining room. But non-smokers are an aggressive lot who seem to have borrowed their manners and much of their language from King James I. In reply to their attack, the London Passenger Transport Board says that it has found that smoking carriages are always crowded while non-smoking are not. This by common observation is quite true and it rather takes the wind out of the non-smokers' sails.

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What's In a Name?

Years ago there was a popular song which wound up (I forget the rest)

I love it, I love it and who shall dare
To chide me for loving the old arm-chair?

the said armchair having been found to contain in its lining a fat wad of banknotes. One is reminded of this in reading of the old lady who this week has proved her title to £5,000 by an ancient workbox.

A grocer at Brighton named Julian White had left this sum and the next of kin was being advertised for. There appeared before the Courts a Mrs. Ellen Smith, now 55 years old, wife of a road mender of Peckham. She had never seen her father, nor her mother since she was 11. In fact she had lived, as a child, with relatives and was only occasionally visited by her mother. However, she picked out the latter from an old album of photographs, and clinched the matter by producing a workbox engraved with her father's mother's name, which Mrs. Ellen Smith said her mother had given her, telling her to keep it carefully. The Judge had no hesitation in deciding that she had proved her title. She seems quite indifferent to her good fortune saying that her husband makes good money already. Heaven sends nuts?

The Duchess of Kent

Britain's arbiter of feminine fashion taken as she left her Belgrave Square home on the day when the announcement was made of the Duke's appointment as Governor-General of Australia.

A. W. C.

The Literary Department is sponsoring the Club meeting on Thursday, December 13, when Mrs. Frederick Smith will give an interesting lecture entitled "My Summer in Mongolia." The programme begins at 4.45 p.m., with tea as usual at 4 o'clock.

Union Church Fun Fair

This afternoon at the Union Church Hall at 5 o'clock, Lady Phillips will open the annual Fun Fair. Besides Father Christmas and his Tree and all sorts of amusements, there will be stalls for the sale of Christmas gifts. The Fair will be open all day tomorrow (Saturday) and the charities which will benefit are the B.W.A. Social Service Board and the Door of Hope.

Salon Trianon Makes Its Debut

It is always pleasant to welcome an agreeable newcomer, and Salon Trianon bids fair to be a worthy addition to Shanghai's noted dress-making establishments. Conveniently situated in Empire Mansions, Route de Say Zoong, Trianon possesses an expert designer who has worked in Paris and Berlin. She will gladly advise ladies on dress matters, and clients may be sure of promptly executed orders, whether from their own materials or from fabrics purchased at the Salon.

A Very Special Jumble Sale

Union Church Ladies Make Irresistible Appeal

On December 29, a date chosen because it is close to Russian Christmas Day (January 7), the ladies of the Union Church are holding a jumble sale. It is an annual event, the proceeds of which go to the Limbless Soldiers and Sailors Fund.

But this sale has another kindly object in view. The buyers come from that very plucky class of Shanghai Russians who keep their flags flying by sheer grinding hard work. They possess cents where luckier people have dollars, and at the Union Hall they pick up treasures with which to make Christmas something of a festival. If the readers of the Woman's Page have any conceivable thing in their wardrobes, on their shelves (books are very welcome) or elsewhere in their houses, for which they have no further use will they be so kind as to ring up any one of the following ladies, who will gladly send for it: Mesdames O. G. R. Beynon, J. J. Brooks, K. Harrop, J. F. Rankin, W. H. Train, A. Sharp, Arch Sinclair.

Mrs. Arch Sinclair says the jumble coffers are at present as bare as Mother Hubbard's cupboard, but that she has lots of faith! So here's a chance to be good fairies!

Rust

How to Prevent It or Cure It

New cake-tins and other tin cooking utensils may be kept from rusting if, before they are put into use, they are well rubbed over with lard and then made hot in the oven. After use cake-tins should be wiped clean with soft paper while they are still warm. If they must be washed they should be dried thoroughly in the oven before they are put away.

After a mincing-machine has been washed all the parts should be dried in a warm oven before they are reassembled and put away.

To clean a rusty flat-iron, rub it while hot on a piece of beeswax tied in muslin. Then polish it on a folded newspaper sprinkled with bath-brick. Repeat the processes in turn until the iron is smooth.

To loosen screws that have become too rusty to turn, pour a little vinegar or paraffin over them and let it sink into the woodwork round them, or else hold a piece of hot iron against the screw-head until the whole screw is heated. When it has cooled it should turn easily.

Salt and lemon juice, or bath-brick and turpentine, are good for cleaning rusty surfaces.

Commons Reassured on Suez Canal Issue

No Communications with Italian Government

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 7.

In again declining to make a statement in advance on the subjects which might be discussed during his visit to Rome, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, told the House of Commons yesterday that no communications had taken place with the Italian Government regarding the administration of the Suez Canal.

He added in a supplementary answer that it would be natural to discuss with the French Government any proposal for a change in that connection.—Reuter.

U.S. Neutrality Act Violated

Americans and Mexicans Indicted in Texas

Brownsville, Texas, Dec. 6.

Two Americans, Lloyd Clevenger and Fritz Bieler, and seven Mexicans including the former Chief of the Mexican Air Corps, General Roberto Fierro, were indicted here today on charges of having violated the U.S. Neutrality Act by transportation of nineteen American aeroplanes to Mexico for re-shipment to the Republican forces in Spain. The Spanish Republican Ambassador to Mexico, Sr. Felix Gordon Ordaz was named as a co-conspirator but the diplomat was not included in the indictment.

Clevenger was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment for having smuggled two aeroplanes to the Mexican Revolutionist General Cedillo.—United Press.

High Speed Italian Ships for Far East

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Rome, Dec. 7.

An extensive building programme of high speed passenger and cargo ships is announced by the Società Finanziara Marittima, which controls 40 per cent. of Italy's mercantile tonnage.

The new programme comprises 44 ships, eleven of which, each displacing 11,000 tons, will be alloeated to the Far Eastern trade.

The last will be delivered by 1941.

All will be built largely through Government subsidy, and most of the new ships will enjoy an operating subsidy.

The Italian naval authorities have approved plans for every ship, which will include an emplacement for six-inch guns, both fore and aft.—Reuter.

Census in Peiping

Peiping, Dec. 6.

General Yu Chin-ho, Mayor of Peiping and concurrently Chief of Police, has enlisted 650 new policemen for the purpose of taking a complete census of Peiping.

One month has been set aside for the work. It is stated that the reason for this move on the part of General Yu is to clear the city of undesirable elements.—Reuter.

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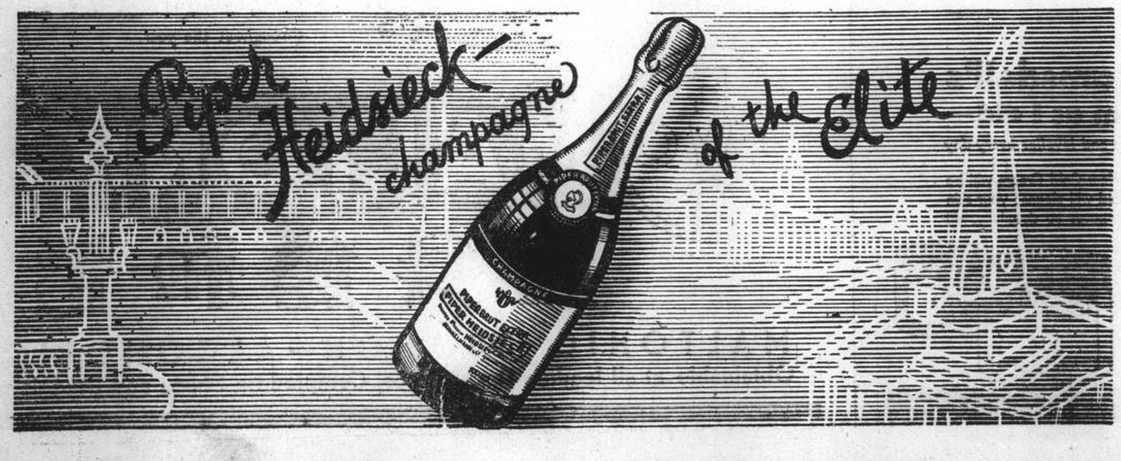

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DEATH

SQUIRES.—On December 6, 1938, at Claremont, California, ROY WHITE SQUIRES, aged 69 years. -6374

IMPARTIAL NOT NEUTRAL

THE COLONIAL DEMAND

The debate in the House of Commons on the subject of Germany's colonial claims has at least the merit of producing a definite statement on behalf of the British Government, and there ought now to be no misunderstandings on the matter. Mr. Malcolm MacDonald has definitely stated that the German claim to the restoration of the colonies which she surrendered in 1918, and which subsequently came under the mandatory system of the League of Nations, is not now an issue in practical politics. It is interesting to trace the higher lights of the subject as it developed after the war. In the early post-war years the colonial question received very little attention in Germany, though the German Colonial Congress met annually. The question was raised by Dr. Stresemann at the Locarno Conference, and, in 1926, the *Kolonial Reichsarbeitsgemeinschaft* passed a resolution urging the German Government to make Germany's entry into the League conditional upon receiving guarantees for the return of her former possessions. In 1924, however, Herr Hitler had written in his "Mein Kampf" "The cry for the restoration of the colonies is mere empty talk." There were other passages in his work to the same effect, as for example "We finally part with the colonial and trade policy of the period before the War and pass over to the land policy of the future." The words still stand in Herr Hitler's book but elsewhere things have changed. On November 22, 1935 Der Fuehrer announced "Germany will never give up her colonial claims." Three months later he said "Colonies are acquired by right of might." In September, 1937, he is reported to have said:

> "We must have colonies. But they are worth nothing if an enormous armed force is to be maintained to guard them. Our interest is commercial."

while on November 22, of the same year his declarations commenced to assume a more insistent note:—

> "We must raise the demand for colonial living-room. We must raise it louder and louder so that the rest of the world will not be able to refuse to hear it. What people don't care to hear today they will be unable to ignore in a few years time.

Dr. Bauer, in a National-Socialist Party pamphlet, has declared that the passage in "Mein Kampf" subordinating Germany's colonial claims to objectives in Europe has been misinterpreted, and the general result of the transition has been that it does not matter what Herr Hitler wrote fourteen years ago, but what he means now.

Since Munich the German Leader has stated Germany's colonial claims and has left the first move up to the Powers holding mandates over the former German possessions. Mr. MacDonald in a statement which it is reported was received with approval by all parties in the House should have set at rest any misgivings which might have existed concerning the British attitude, while his enunciation of the ideal animating Britain's colonial policies is about the very best justification which could be adduced. If it is admitted, as it must be, that very substantial injustices were done to Germany under the Peace Treaty, it must also be admitted that some means of adjustment should be found, but conditions have changed so greatly since Germany was deprived of her overseas possessions that they cannot now be met by the restoration which Germany demands. Those colonies have been developing since then through agencies not wholly German, other interests having confidence in the Mandatory Powers have taken part in that work, a new generation of natives has arisen, and it is quite clear that the British contention that the interests of all will have to be considered in any change which may be contemplated is the only one possible in the circumstances. Conditions have changed so much that, in any endeavour to remedy the injustices of 1918, further and equally serious wrongs might be committed. There are other important aspects of the matter. Should Great Britain return those German colonies over which she exercises mandatory powers in Africa the situation on that continent might be very seriously damaged, while the returning of territories from which a hostile Germany would be able to attack British trade lines, or upon which air bases could be established which would threaten South America cannot be thought of in view of present German tendencies.

Mr. Noel Baker's contention that recent events in Germany have demonstrated that nation's unfitness to be trusted with the fate of a backward people, should be regarded in the light of an utterance on the subject by Lord Noel-Buxton, in the House of Lords on November 18, 1937:—

> The question of the government of natives is an entirely different one from that of the treatment of the Jews, or other features which we deplore in the internal government of Germany. The racial theory applied to African natives would result in a policy aimed at preventing a population of half-castes. I suppose our own ideal in regard to half-castes is not unsympathetic to that ideal.

So long as the application of the German racial ideas went no further than that Lord Noel-Buxton might be proved correct, but there will undoubtedly be many who can find no satisfactory guarantee of that in what is at present happening. There would be very much more conviction in this demand for the return of the German colonies if it had been made explicitly upon all those Powers holding mandates under the League of Nations, irrespective of their present relationships with Germany, for if there is indeed a question of principle involved, as it is claimed, then it is quite clear that the principle applies with just as much force to those mandates held by Powers in close relations to Germany at present, as it does to those others not so intimately related. Thus a demand upon Japan for the rendition of her mandates in the Pacific would be the best possible test of whether this omnibus demand which Herr Hitler has made, and which Mr. MacDonald states is no longer an issue in practical politics, is indeed a matter of principle or not, for obviously there must be an impairment of German prestige so long as she is bereft of any of her former colonies, no matter how friendly the holding government may be.

New Chinese Puzzle

How does a state, deprived of its independence by the aggressive action of another state, exercise its sovereign powers? This is one of the conundrums to be posed after reading the Japanese press version of the new interpretation of the "Open Door" policy and equality of opportunity in China published in this journal yesterday. The answer is obvious. It cannot possibly do so. From a mass of contradictions, incredibly bad reasoning and the loose employment of vague phrases of state relationships in international affairs, a leading Tokyo newspaper attempts to justify conquest and the subordination of one state to another's will with considerably less convincing argument and directness than that with which Machiavelli tried to justify bad morals in the Florentine days. China's needs are paramount in the Far Eastern situation, and, therefore, as Japan considers Communism the greatest disturbing factor to peace in East Asia, China's co-operation is necessary to combat it. The current Sino-Japanese conflict was brought about by the refusal of such co-operation on the part of the Chinese National Government "thus menacing the right of existence of the Japanese Empire." Accordingly, Japan's own interest and her concern for the stability of East Asia dictate to Japan "to take friendly action in this matter for New China." This friendly action consisted of landing an army of 1,500,000 men, waging one of the most vicious wars in recent history, conquest of about a quarter of China including the principal part of the country's economic fabric, killing at least a million civilians, destroying scores of towns and cities, wrecking the peaceful trade relations of friendly powers and extending over a neighbouring country a form of military control which, however fervent may be the denials of any colonial intent, must subjugate that country. All this action was taken through this friendly interest in China, and a considerable point is made of the foreign treaties which circumscribe the full exercise of China's sovereign rights. Other Powers have regularized their position by treaties but none of them, under so flimsy a pretext as anti-Communism, used a million and a half troops to emphasize this curious form of friendship and reduce the country to a form of bondage. Reference to the treaties as justification for Japanese action in China is about as cynical an appeal as could be conceived. The Nine Power Pact was devised not to keep China as a semi-colonial market for the Western Powers, which the Tokyo "Asahi" claims, but to maintain that equality of opportunity and preserve the integrity of China which Japan now denies except under a form of Japanese tutelage. Talk of the "sovereignty and independence of China, which, as a member of the anti-Comintern camp, is responsible for the joint defence of East Asia with Japan and Manchoukuo" is too absurd to warrant comment. China is not a member of the anti-Comintern camp, and if Japan desires to respect China's sovereignty and independence why is the army here? There is one point in the article which will find general agreement. It is, indeed, a new interpretation, so new and novel that were it to be believed and accepted in its definition and argument Bedlam would become relatively easy of comprehension.

Belligerency Rights

That "The Times" has published an editorial article commenting favourably upon the eventual granting of belligerency rights to General Franco will be noted with very considerable interest by those who recall that journal's article during the Czechoslovak crisis which proved to be a very intelligent forecast of the manner in which it would be ultimately settled. It will be remembered that when the article was published on September 7 the Government immediately denied that it represented its own views, and in fact disavowed it entirely. Then, when it was shown that "The Times" had in fact made a suggestion for a settlement which was finally accepted, the question naturally arose whether that journal was inspiring the Government or being inspired by it. Consequently the same question will be asked in this instance. Is "The Times" casting the shadow of things to come? Those cynics who have watched developments in this connection during the course of the civil war in Spain will remark that to all intents and purposes General Franco has been exercising belligerency rights whether the Powers liked it or not, and there is much to be said for that view. The question of whether they should be granted at the present moment does not, on the face of it, appear to be a very burning one, but with conditions as they are in Spain it is still desirable that that precarious neutrality which it has been sought to maintain all along should be persisted in, even if only for the purpose of adhering to the principle of non-intervention which has had such a remarkable amount of lip-service if nothing else. With the situation as it has developed very much in General Franco's favour it would be a tragic piece of partizanship at this juncture to give him such an advantage, especially when it would only mean the legalization of illegal acts which he has been committing all along and which should have called forth more energetic action in the past than has been taken.

A COUNTRY DIARY

Dec. 8.—*Silence is golden,* said an adage of my early youth, and I often think this idea must have come down the ages to us from old friend Chaucer who wrote something to the effect that, "the first virtue, my son, if thou wilt learn is to restrain and keep well thy tongue." Perhaps he was right, but I am left with an uncomfortable feeling that if we all kept quiet and did not stand up for ourselves we should never get anywhere. Taking one's ideas from Nature....it at once becomes obvious that only in the loneliest and most dismal places is there complete silence..... golden, if you like for a little time, but very wearisome if it continues for long. Such thoughts came to me this morning when I walked in my garden and realized that it was never silent: I am not writing of dreadful traffic noises, the shouting of passing humanity, or all those hundred-and-one noises which are a disturbance to quiet thought: I am thinking of all those tiny little noises which start when light first comes and continue until the sun goes down. The Magpies and Shrikes start it with the first streak of daylight....and if anyone tells me that birds do not talk to one-another, I shall refuse to believe him. When I go into my verandah there is a whirr of wings and the sparrows begin to chatter: the Blackbird comes gliding across the lawn and gives his alarm cry: the sentinel Magpies up in the trees give monitory "Zaak-zaaks": Bulbuls in shrub and tree gurgle to one another and seem to whisper, "look out! the old man is coming": a band of Azure-wings hidden in the Willows give hunting cries such as "Yoicks" and the tiny Titmice squeak as they leave their immediate hunt for hidden peanuts: it is all very pleasant to feel that one's presence means so much to so many wild creatures. Yes! even if silence *is* golden I feel that I prefer the silver tongues of the birds.

IN PARENTHESIS

Navigator

A TEACHER asked a boy what was a navigator. The boy replied: "A navigator is the strap a navvy wears just below his knees to prevent the rats from running up his trousers."

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You Tell One

FRIEND (to angler): "Any luck."

Angler: "No, I caught a fish that was too small altogether and I got two men to throw it back into the river."

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Double-X

"THAT's a funny thing," said Mrs. Peck. "They say in this book that a bachelor is a man who has been crossed in love."

"Yes," muttered her husband, "and a married man is one who has been double-crossed."

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Too Late

"DON'T stand there like a fool," said the motorist to the countryman who had witnessed the accident. "Run and get the village doctor."

"Sorry mister," came the slow reply. "That's him you just ran over."

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Request

I HOPE there are not many children like a little girl who was seen surreptitiously burying a sheet of notepaper. It proved to be a letter:

"Dear Devil—Please come and take Aunt Jane.
—Yours affectionately, Molly."

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Modern

MY lawn is very, very old;
Three hundred years, at least, I'm told.
It saw the Roundheads marching through,
And heard the cheers for Waterloo.

A man admired my lawn today;
And how it laughed to hear him say:
"Your bit of turf looks nice and flat.
Next year, I'll have a lawn like that."

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Far-Fetched

DURING a history lesson the teacher pointed out to the class that a surname often indicated the trade of the ancestors of those who bore the name. He gave the obviously simple example of Smith, Taylor, Baker and others. Then he questioned one of the boys.

"What were your ancestors, Webb?"

"Spiders, sir."

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Reply in Verse

READERS of the children's page in the "Daily Mirror" recently took part in a competition in which they were asked to say what was their pet aversion. One young competitor replied in verse:

> "If there's anything I hate
> It's a piled-up dinner plate.
> A little bit of each will do—
> I'm not a lion at the Zoo!

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True Enough

THE "Daily Express" told a true story of a well-known tenor who gave a testimonial, for advertisement purposes, to a firm of cigarette-makers. One of his friends felt obliged to protest.

"You know you never smoke cigarettes," he said.

"I know," replied the tenor, "but what I wrote was perfectly true. All I said was: 'These cigarettes never make my throat sore.'"

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American Howlers

AN abstract noun is something you can't see when you are looking at it.

When children under one year of age have tuberculosis, they usually die very seldom.

According to Victor Hugo, love exists in all classes of society.

The President has the power to appoint and disappoint the members of his Cabinet.

She looked like an angle going down the street, but she was only a human bean.

He was arrested and held in custard until his trial.

The Constitution may be changed by a process called depression.

THE WEATHER

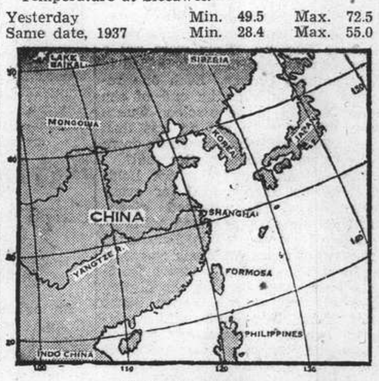
Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min. 51.0	Max. 70.0
Same date, 1937	Min. 33.0	Max. 51.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. 49.5	Max. 72.5
Same date, 1937	Min. 28.4	Max. 55.0



Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 7th:—Normal anticyclone over north-eastern China, Korea and western Japan. Typhoon to the east of the Vizayas, moving west by north. Variable winds over Shantung and our regions: north-easterly in the south. Fine and milder weather in China.

State on the morning of the 8th:—Fine and mild weather. South-easterly breezes. Pressure rather normal and steady.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and colder weather with fresh north-westerly winds around Shantung. Cloudy and variable getting colder with freshening north-westerly winds over our regions: northerly to north-easterly and local showers over the Eastern Sea and Formosa. The typhoon over the Vizayas will continue west-north-west or west by north. Typhoon signal: Approximate position of the centre, at 6 a.m., within 60 miles, latitude 13, longitude 123, direction west-north-west or west by north, intensity: Unknown.—Siccawei Observatory.

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TO THE CATHOLIC GIRLS LEAGUE

In memory of Mrs. R. McMurray:—

Misses A., P., and J. Berthet $5.00

Britain Will Uphold Trust of Mandates

Colonial Peoples Cannot Be Regarded as Mere Goods and Chattels; Commons Hear Gov't. Stand; Opposition Denounces Germany's Aims

London, Dec. 8.

AN important statement on the Colonies was made by Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Colonial Secretary, in the House of Commons yesterday, replying to the Opposition Labour Motion moved by Mr. Philip Noel Baker, Labour member for Derby, criticizing the Government's policy as regards the colonies.

"No re-distribution of colonial or mandated territory will be made without the consent of the inhabitants, and as part of a general peace settlement," declared Mr. MacDonald. "International agreements should be drawn up, extending the application of mandates to all colonies which are unripe for self-government, providing equal economic opportunity for the nationals of all signatory powers, and establishing, as the primary purpose of colonial policy, the welfare and progress of the natives."

Mr. MacDonald, in his reply, emphasized the uncertainty created in colonies and mandated territories by the demands now being made with regard to them.

This uncertainty, he declared, must be removed.

"For that purpose, I have only to state a simple fact.

"I don't believe that there is today any section of this country which is disposed to hand over to any other country the care of any territories or peoples for whose government we are responsible, either as a colonial or as a mandatory power (cheers).

"That view has been expressed by every part of the House, and is shared by the Government.

"We are not discussing this matter, and we are not considering it.

Not Practical Politics

"It is not now an issue in practical politics.

"If we were ever to come to a discussion of this question, certain things would have to be borne in mind.

"Firstly, Great Britain is not the only country concerned.

"She is not the only country which assumed additional territorial responsibilities after the Great War.

"Other countries will also be involved, and the question will have to be examined by all those countries together."

Mr. MacDonald emphasized that Great Britain had responsibilities with regard to peoples living in mandated territories.

"We could not regard them as mere goods and chattels, to be disposed of to others," he stressed.

"We must pay attention to their wishes, and the wishes of the different sections of the population in those territories."

Settlers to Be Consulted

He pointed out that, as far as the British mandated areas were concerned, there was not only a large and indigenous native population, but in some places also there were European settlers who had put their wealth into these areas, and had played a great part in the development of the territories.

In some places, there were important Indian communities.

"We must recognize the right of these peoples to express their opinions on a question all-important to them.

"We must atach full weight and force to those opinions.

"It would be impossible even to consider any alteration in the status of any of those territories without giving full regard to the spontaneous views of the inhabitants.

"Moreover, those people have certain treaty rights, they have certain material interests in the territories. Those rights and interests must be fully safeguarded and secured."

Commons Must Approve

Mr. MacDonald also emphasized that it would be impossible for a government to do anything with regard to this matter without the House of Commons having the fullest possible opportunity of discussion.

Indeed, nothing effective could be done without the positive approval of Parliament.

As far as the House of Commons was concerned, an unanimous expression of views had been made from every section of the House during the debate, (cheers).

He hoped that the House was not going to assent to any such sweeping proposition as Mr. Noel Baker's motion.

Amendment Proposed

He urged the House to reject the motion, and accept the following amendment, moved by Colonel Charles Ponsonby, Conservative member for the Sevenoaks Division of Kent:—

The primary purpose of Great Britain's colonial policy should be the welfare and progress of the inhabitants of colonial territories, and that no change in the status of colonies, protectorates or mandated territories could be considered which did not take full account of the interests and wishes of the inhibitants.

Mr. Noel Baker's motion was defeated by 253 votes to 127, and the Conservative amendment was talked out.

Mr. MacDonald, referring to the question of equal economic opportunity, pointed out there were "practically no restrictions on access for anybody to our raw materials, but the Government is still ready to consider any proposals for a more equal distribution of raw materials."

The ideal of equal economic opportunity, he declared, had been almost completely attained, and was already in practice in the British Colonial Empire.

The fact that the Anglo-American Treaty contained reductions and preferences on about 200 Colonial Empire productions indicated the Government's readiness to go as far as it could without prejudicing the Colonies' interests towards giving economic opportunity to different countries, and different nationals, inside the Colonial Empire.

Fair Play for Natives

Alluding to Mr. Noel-Baker's resolution referring to the welfare of the native inhabitants, Mr. MacDonald asked why natives were exclusively mentioned.

There were, he said, other inhabitants, including Europeans, Indians and Arabs.

A more accurate statement, he declared, would be that the primary purpose of Britain's colonial policy was the welfare of all inhabitants of colonial territories.

"Our first duty," stated Mr. MacDonald, "is to the native peoples.

"We must foster their material well-being, and see that they get fair play.

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British Demarche Made to Reich

U.S. Also Reiterates Representations Over Anti-Jewish Decrees

London, Dec. 7.

It was officially announced today that the British Embassy in Berlin had conveyed representations to the German Government, calling attention to the fact that the latest decrees, which bar Jews from certain streets and buildings, jeopardized the rights of British subjects.

Police dispersed crowds of people engaged in demonstrations against Germany in the East End of London. The crowds were threateniing shops selling German goods and threatening to overturn street stalls selling German crockery.—United Press.

Commons Statement

London, Dec. 7.

A House of Commons answer today referring to the work of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees from Germany stated that the executive authority of the Committee was the Director, Mr. George Rublee, assisted by a small staff.

The Director's task was first to undertake negotiations to improve the present conditions of the exodus of refugees and establish a system of orderly emigration properly organized, and second, to approach the governments of the countries represented on the Committee, who had expressed themselves to be able and willing to admit refugees to develop opportunities for permanent settlement.

The Director had found it difficult to make much progress with the first part but he had been able to do much useful work in connection with the second part of his duties.—Wireless through Reuter.

New U.S. Representations

Washington, Dec. 7.

The United States Government has made further representations to Germany over recent anti-Jewish decrees, Mr. Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State, revealed today.

Mr. Welles said that the United States had demanded the exemption of American nationals and American property from the provisions of the recent order forcing all Jews to abandon retail business by December 31.—United Press.

Little Hope of Yangtze Opening

Tokyo Spokesman Again Stresses Difficulties

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Little hope was seen by a Japanese navy spokesman here today for an early resumption of navigation by commercial vessels of all nations on the Yangtze River.

"I regret to say that I cannot anticipate the restoration of freedom of navigation on the Yangtze in the near future," the spokesman declared.

Asked whether the resumption of general traffic on the main Chinese inland waterway would be a matter of months or of years, the spokesman replied: "I cannot say."

The decision, he continued, rested entirely upon the Japanese naval commander-in-chief in China.

The spokesman declared that, while he hoped that a situation that would permit an early resumption of general traffic would soon arrive, he pointed to the continuation of hostilities along the river as one of the main obstacles for the realization of such a wish.—Domei.

U.S. Ambassador to Go On Furlough

Mr. Nelson T. Johnson May Journey Through Burma

Chungking, Dec. 8.

The American Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, is expected to proceed to America on furlough shortly.

It is learned that Mr. Johnson plans to leave Chungking on January 4 by car for Kunming, capital of Yunnan, and thence, if possible, follow the new road to Burma en route to Europe and America.

The Ambassador, it is understood, will be accompanied on the first stage of his journey by Captain J. M. McHugh, Assistant Naval Attaché.

During Mr. Johnson's absence, the duties of the Embassy will be undertaken by Mr. Willys R. Peck, Counsellor.—Reuter.

Mr. Pirow Calls on Mr. Chamberlain

London, Dec. 7.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, received Mr. Oswald Pirow, South African National Defence Minister, this afternoon before the latter's departure for home on Friday on board the Warwick Castle.

The two statesmen dealt chiefly with the failure of plans for colonial transfers, it is understood. South African purchases of war materials in London and the organization of South African air lines in co-operation with Britain, Portugal and Belgium, are also said to have been studied.—Havas.

Finances of China Better Than Japan's

Comparison of Loans Made in Chungking

Chungking, Dec. 8.

Japan's present national debt was about three times larger than that of China, at the official rates of exchange, stated the spokesman of the Ministry of Finance today, discussing China's financial position.

Prior to the hostilities, he said, China's national debt was equivalent, roughly, to Mex. $4,500,000,000—£273,000,000.

Of this sum, the spokesman continued, approximately 60 per cent. was internal debt, three-quarters of the total being under the charge of the Ministry of Finance, and most of the remainder was railway debt.

In recent years, as the result of the efforts of the Nanking Government to settle debts inherited from the former Peiping Government, the total principal, amounting to about Mex. $850,000,000—£52,000,000, was settled, thus reducing the principal amount outstanding in claims to about one-tenth of this total.

Pre-war quotations on Chinese loans, the spokesman went on, had attained a gratifying level, several of the chief loans being quoted on the London market near or above par, to yield less than five per cent.

He pointed out that, while quotations on internal loans were not yet satisfactory, they showed a strong tendency to rise steadily.

Ministry's Obligations

Obligations, under the charge of the Ministry of Finance, on July 1, 1937, amounted to approximately Mex. $2,940,000,000—£180,000,000.

Of this sum, the spokesman declared, about $910,000,000, or 31 per cent., were external debts, including Boxer Indemnity obligations, and $2,030,000,000, or 69 per cent. were internal.

According to the three main classes, which offered specific security, the spokesman revealed that $2,500,000,000 had been secured on the Chinese Maritime Customs, $325,000,000 on the salt revenue and $120,000,000 on consolidated taxes.

The annual payments on these obligations, in 1938, were equal to $104,000,000 on external and $158,000,000 on internal obligations.

Obligations under the charge of the former Ministries of Railways and Communications, that is, other than the Ministry of Finance, amounted to about $900,000,000.

On these obligations, annual payments due in 1939 amounted to around $50,000,000.

Loans issued after the outbreak of the war, the spokesman said, included the 1937 National Liberty Loan of $500,000,000; Kwangsi currency of $17,000,000; the 1938 Nancheng Railway Loan of 150,000,000 francs; 1938 gold loan bonds of C.G.U. one hundred million, U.S. $50,000,000 and £10,000,000; the 1938 National Defence Loan of Mex. $30,000,000.

The total authorized amount of these loans equalled about Mex. $1,500,000,000—£91,000,000.

Japan's Loans Bigger

On the other hand, the spokesman declared, Japan's loans, issued during the same period, totalled, according to available information, around Yen 7,000,000,000.

Comparing the present total outstanding indebtedness of the two countries, the figures were roughly: for China, Mex. $6,000,000,000 and for Japan, Yen 18,000,000,000.

On the basis of these figures, the spokesman said that the per capita debt, in China, was only Mex. $13 and, for Japan about Yen 260, or a ratio of 1/20, compared with the ratio of $\frac{1}{10}$ before the hostilities.

Thus, the spokesman concluded, Japan's per capita debt had increased by about Yen 100, whereas China's had increased by only about Mex. $3.—Reuter.

Invitation Refused By British Consul

Mr. Smallbones Objects to Posters on Streets

Berlin, Dec. 8.

The British Consul-General at Frankfurt-on-Main, Mr. Smallbones, today declined an invitation to an official function.

He said that he could not attend such functions while posters insulting the British Army were still publicly exhibited.

The posters mentioned show British soldiers firing machine-guns in Palestine, while the accompanying words allege that brutal acts of violence abound in the British Empire. These posters are being exhibited throughout Germany.—Reuter.

Moslems, Alaouites Clash in Beirut

Beirut, Dec. 7.

Disorders occurred here today when Moslems and Alaouites clashed in serious scuffles. Casualty lists could not be determined exactly, but the authorities took speedy and effective action and imposed special precautionary measures to forestall any more trouble.—Havas.

Japanese War Memorial at Tazang Unveiled

The Japanese war memorial at Tazang, scene of one of the bitterest phases of the Sino-Japanese hostilities in the Shanghai area, was unveiled yesterday by Prince Tsunenori Kaya. Upper picture shows the general scene at the ceremony with Japanese troops in the foreground. Lower shows some of the foreign officers at the ceremony. The group includes Maj.-Gen. A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett, commanding the British forces, Col. Andreini, of the Savoy Grenadiers, and Major Ashmore.

Poland Becomes Next Region Of German Expansion

Paris Parleys Understood to Have Cleared Way For Reich Drive to East; Trade to Be Aided

London, Dec. 8.

SCOPE and details of the conversations, in Paris, between Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, and M. Georges Bonnet, the French Foreign Minister, during the past two days, remain a close secret. It is generally agreed, however, that the talks have been more in the nature of a general exchange of views than definite proposals.

In return for German restraint over the colonial question, according to the Paris correspondent of "The Times," M. Bonnet seemed to have refrained from pushing his case too far, regarding the German attitude towards Italian territorial claims on France. The correspondent said that Herr von Ribbentrop appeared to have expressed his views on the Polish foreign policy and the position of Russia with much bluntness, while emphasising the special position of Germany in central and eastern Europe.

Although it was unlikely that he had made specific reference to the possibilities of improving that position, the correspondent went on, nothing had been said on the French side that could possibly hold a threat of French intervention against German expansion in the cast.

M. Bonnet undoubtedly voiced the desirability of an improvement in relations between Great Britain and Germany, but with what result was not known.

He was also believed to have pleaded for better treatment of the German Jews and more generous financial concessions for those who were allowed to leave the country.—Reuter.

Jewish Ministers Invited

Paris, Dec. 8.

Two Jewish members of the French Cabinet, who, it was understood prior to the arrival here of Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, were not to have the "honour" of being invited to the dinner at the Quai d'Orsay in honour of the German Foreign Minister, are now to attend the dinner after all.

Yesterday, they recejved invitations to the dinner reception, which was held at the German Embassy in Paris last night.

Much comment arose over the fact they did not attend the Foreign Office banquet for Herr von Ribbentrop on Tuesday night.

The Foreign Office, questioned on the matter, denied that they had not been invited because they were Jews, stating that only eight Cabinet Minister had been invited, these being members with a direct interest in the negotiations.—Reuter.

Germans Free to Push East

Berlin, Dec. 7.

German politicians extended a warm welcome today to the Franco-German Declaration signed in Paris yesterday afternoon.

They believed it would increase the Reich's freedom of action in East Europe, especially in Poland and Rumania.

Well-informed quarters now understand that Germany is determined to deal at first hand with the Polish and Rumanian problems and oblige Warsaw to choose between friendship with either Soviet Russia or the Reich.

Poland, it is expected, will be asked for her decision as soon as Czecho-German relations are definitely settled after the December 9 visit here by Prague's Foreign Minister, Dr. Frantisek Chvalkovsky.

The press has already launched a most violent campaign against Rumania since the elimination as a power of the Fascist Iron Guard, which favoured a foreign policy based upon the Rome-Berlin axis.

Polish-Soviet rapproachement also roused sharp criticism here, but these have not yet been freely expressed as in the case of Rumania.

Observers are commenting widely upon the lack of reference to the Franco-Soviet Pact; it is stated that the Reich's silence on this subject is due to the fact that the Germano-Soviet Rapallo Pact is still in force, not having been denounced to date.—Havas.

Two "Axis" Maintained

Paris, Dec. 7.

The Franco-British axis will remain the basis of French foreign policy and the Rome-Berlin axis will continue as the foundation of German policies.

Parleys now in progress have cleared up the interested parties' positions, authoritative quarters say. They add that future community of action between France and Germany is contemplated.

The main results of the negotiations, it is understood, are in respect to trade matters. Thus, a decision has been taken to increase Franco-German trade.

Also, it is understood that the French and German statesmen have agreed that German commercial and industrial expansion in Central Europe and the Danubian Basin is not detrimental to French interests in those regions. It is of vital importance to the Reich to secure the raw materials of Central Europe, it is pointed out.

With regard to Spain, Herr von Ribbentrop voiced German sympathies for the Spanish Nationalist General, while M. Bonnet simply declared that France's position in the affair was unchanged.

Both statesmen agreed that this problem concerned Italy and France more directly than it did Germany and France, however. With regard to Italian "claims," it is understood that German solidarity with Rome's views in the matter is more apparent than actual.—Havas.

Japan Will Not Let Britain Stand in Way

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

British attempts to stand in the way of Japan's work in establishing a new order in the Far East will not be tolerated, states the "Tokyo Nichi Nichi," commenting on the Far Eastern debate in the House of Lords on December 6.

The journal adds:—"Japan will adopt a definite attitude to cope with any British interference."—Reuter.

"Britain's Time Has Come"

Chinese Press Comments On Far Eastern Debate In House of Lords

Chungking, Dec. 8.

The Far Eastern debate in the House of Lords on Tuesday, December 6, and also the reply made by the Earl of Plymouth, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, were given prominence today in the Chinese press under banner headlines.

The "Ta Kung Pao," an influential Chinese daily newspaper, in a leading article today entitled "The Time Has Come," declares:

"It is now time for the British Government to re-examine the situation in the Far East in the light of the past year's developments and to fix its Far Eastern policy.

"If Great Britain will collaborate with the United States and uphold the Nine Power Treaty, the Far Eastern situation will take a new turn.

"To tolerate further Japan's aggression in China is to breed future disaster.

"Great Britain must help China in order to protect British interests in the Far East."—Reuter.

U.S. Ambassador Informed

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Mr. Hachiro Arita, the Foreign Minister, saw Mr. Joseph Grew, United States Ambassador, this morning, for the purpose of explaining "Japan's true intentions with regard to the question of the Open Door, and other matters arising out of Japan's basic policy to establish a new order in East Asia," according to the Japanese press.

Mr. Arita will see Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador in Tokyo, this afternoon for the same purpose, it is understood.—Reuter.

Denmark Denies Soviet Allegation

No Secret Accord with Germany Exists

Copenhagen, Dec. 7.

The Foreign Office denied today as "silly and unfounded" the Moscow "Izvestia's" report that there exists a secret Danish-German understanding that the Schleswig frontier will be moved northward when German political interests desired such a move. The "Izvestia" report also said that Germany would be able to obtain Denmark's approval for such a move without any great opposition."

Another denial by the Danish Foreign Office was of the "Izvestia" report that the Danish-German trade agreement of 1937 contains a secret protocol under which Denmark is to purchase raw materials abroad in behalf of Germany.—United Press.

Ex-Kaiser Denounces Nazi Leaders As "Bunch of Shirted Gangsters"

Herr Hitler Deplored as "Man Alone, Without Family, Children or God"; Reported Interview

London, Dec. 8.

"Of our Germany, which was a nation of poets, musicians, artists and soldiers, Herr Hitler has made a nation of hysterics and hermits, engulfed in a mob, and led by a thousand liars or fanatics.....he is a man alone, without family, children or God."

This statement, according to the New York correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," was made by the ex-Kaiser in an interview with the magazine "Ken," given in the ex-Kaiser's study at Doorn, Holland.

This is the first time since Herr Hitler's advent to power that the ex-Kaiser has expressed his personal views with regard to the Nazi State.

"Nations," the Kaiser is quoted as saying, "are created by families, religion and tradition.

"But in the Reich an all-swallowing State, disdainful of human dignities and the ancient structure of our race, establishes itself in place of everything else.

"A man who incorporates in himself this whole State has neither God to honour nor a dynasty to conserve nor a past to consult.

"For a few months, I was inclined to believe in National Socialism as a necessary fever.

"But he (referring to Herr Hitler) got rid of the wisest and the outstanding Germans associated wih National Socialism, and has nothing left but a bunch of shirted gangsters."—Reuter.

Germans Join Italian Agitation

Heavy Troop Concentrations Reported on Border Of Tunis-Tripolitania; Demonstrations Growing

Rome, Dec. 8.

A LARGE number of German passengers from German ships cruising in the Mediterranean participated in anti-French demonstrations in Naples yesterday. Thousands of Italian students formed into a procession, and marched through the streets of the town, crying "Tunis, Corsica, Djibouti." They were joined by 2,500 Germans from three German "Strength Through Joy" steamers, which had arrived from Palermo.

The procession made its way towards the French Consulate, which was guarded by a detachment of troops, and 100 militiamen, who prevented the procession from passing. The demonstrators then turned in the direction of the Prefecture and the Fascist Party Office, where, after fresh demonstrations, they dispersed. Further demonstrations of students shouting "Tunis, Corsica, Nice" were reported from Turin and Florence.

German circles now admit that the Tunis demonstrations in the Italian Chamber had been discussed with Italy.

It is understood that Germany is in favour of a "just settlement of outstanding claims."

Secondary school boys staged demonstrations yesterday at Terni, Benevento, Perugia and Pisa.

In Rome, the Villa Medici, famous French Academy of Art, as well as the French Embassy, were guarded by Carabinieri or military police.—Reuter.

French Counter-Claims

Toulouse, Dec. 7.

Countering against Italian "claims" upon France for the cession of Tunisia and Corsica, 1,000 young students staged an "anti-Italian" manifestation here today.

Carrying posters with inscriptions of, "Vive Tunisia! Vive Corsica!" these students also carried huge placards with the words, "We want Sardinia, Sicily and Tripoli!"

Making no bones of their demands, and in cheerful mood, these students tried to make their way to the Italian Consulate here. Police prevented them from carrying out the demonstration to its final conclusion.—Havas.

Ink Flies in Tunis

Tunis, Dec. 7.

Settlers and natives here took part in great anti-Italian demonstrations throughout the city today, protesting against Italian "claims" upon Tunisia.

About a thousand workers, chiefly railwaymen, used blue and red ink in a unique manifestation before the Italian Consulate-General here.

After finishing work for the day at about 6 p.m., the men rushed towards the Consulate and to the amazement of onlookers, hurled inkpots at the building. The glass containers, filled with blue and red ink, burst against the white walls of the structure and in a few minutes, the Italian Consulate was largely covered with the French colours—red, white and blue.

A few windows were broken during this demonstration.

The workers later ran towards the Italian Institute, "Dante Alighieri," to stage another manifestation. They were stopped by cordons of police and Spahis called to restore order.

In various quarters of the city, crowds of French settlers and natives hummed the "Marseillaise" and the Tunisian national anthem.

No further incidents were reported as police reinforced precautionary measures, especially in the centre of the city, where several Italian official buildings and stores are located.

Meanwhile, a large number of Jews arrived this afternoon from Tripoli, where they claimed they had been the victims of anti-Semitic persecution.—Havas.

Heavy Forces in Africa

Tunis, Dec. 7.

Following reports received here of Italian reinforcements to garrisons at points along the western border of Tripolitania, it was estimated by military experts that nearly a quarter of a million Italian and French troops, armed with the most modern equipment, faced each other across the desert border between Tunisia and Tripolitania.

Latest reports received here say Marshal Italo Balbo, Governor of Libya, has concentrated heavy troop reinforcements including motorized units and artillery in western Tripolitania facing France's "desert Maginot Line" along the Tunisian frontier.

Virtual censorship is already in force in the military zones which have been closed.

Reports receiving wide credence here stated that the chief Italian reinforcements had been sent to the garrison towns of Nalut, Sinauet and Ghadames. In addition to tanks and artillery the Italian forces boast of their "Camel Cavalry" composed of Mehari tribesmen, and of several battalions of Askari infantry, both of which forces were trained in Eritrea and hardened by the Ethiopian campaign.

French forces include the Foreign Legion and colonial infantry who are veterans of the Moroccan campaigns against the Riffs.

The French claimed that Tunisia's agriculture would prove a great adventage to the French if hostilities developed, as on the Italian side of the line the country is nothing but a sandy waste. In a blockade, the Italians would soon face starvation.

Neutral observers pointed out that Italy was probably superior in air strength, owing to the proximity of her great Sicilian and Libyan airfields.

Meanwhile in Tunis the Arabs and Berbers resented the Fascist demands for the return of Tunisia to Italy, although the Arabs dislike French rule.—United Press.

New British Demarche Due

London, Dec. 7.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain has decided to make a new demarche to Signor Benito Mussolini since Italian anti-French demonstrations are still continuing, reliable sources reported tonight.

Mr. Chamberlain's second demarche will warn Il Duce that his projected trip to Rome in January, 1939, may be cancelled unless the anti-French campaign subsides.

The British Government are opposing for the time being, the grant of belligerency rights to General Franco, Nationalist Spaish leader and it was emphasized here this morning that "The Times" editorial advocating the grant of such rights is in no way an expression of official views.

A subject to be discussed when Mr. Chamberlain visits Rome is said to be that of belligerency rights.—Havas.

Lord Havick Leaves Fortune of £59,043

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 8.

Lord Havick, who died on October 10, left £59,043 sterling.—Reuter.

Herr Hitler Seeks Doom of France

Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper Believes Parliamentary Methods Out of Date

Paris, Dec. 8.

Speaking at a public lecture here yesterday, Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper, former First Lord of the Admiralty, said that Germany's programme today was "far more aggressive than in 1914."

"Herr Hitler's programme," he declared, "is the destruction of France.

"All Herr Hitler's promises have been broken.

"It would be an error to found the policy of our two countries on yesterday's renewed promises," (reference to the signing of the Franco-German Declaration).

Mr. Duff Cooper argued that Germany was not so strong militarily as many supposed.

He added that the alliance of France with the British Empire was "the most powerful in the world."

There was no greater advocate of peace than himself, but war could not be avoided by perpetual concessions.

Comparing the democracies with the dictatorships, he said that the past twenty years had by no means been neglected by Great Britain and France to inculcate in young minds the horror of war.

"On the other hand," Mr. Duff Cooper declared, "for at least the past five years beyond the Rhine the younger generation has been taught that war is the noblest of things."

He said that the parliamentary and governmental system in Great Britain had failed during the Great War, and during the crisis last September, and was unsuited to the continual crisis they were now going through.

He suggested that the French parliamentary system was likewise outmoded.—Reuter.

Statement of British Interests in China

Deputation to Be Sent To Mr. Chamberlain

London, Dec. 8.

The Association of British Chambers of Commerce, including London, Manchester, Birmingham, Glasgow, etc., are understood to be preparing a careful statement of the situation of British interests in China with a view to sending a deputation to Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, and Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary.

Far Eastern circles are of the opinion that Lord Plymouth's speech in the House of Lords yesterday shows distinctly that a more satisfactory attitude has been adopted by the British Government than previously.

While regret is expressed that more positive action is not yet indicated, Lord Plymouth's unequivocal declaration of the Government's position in connection with the Nine-Power Treaty and the Open Door is universally welcomed.

It is pointed out that Japan's claims in this respect involve a fundamental issue, on which no compromise is possible without a betrayal of China and the sacrifice of her vital interests.

The China Committee of the House of Commons, at a meeting last evening, agreed to continue to press the Government to take all possible means to resist encroachments on British rights in China. The general feeling is that help ought to be given to China wherever feasible.—Reuter.

Japanese Ambassador Resigns

No One to Replace Mr. S. Kawagoe at Present

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Pleading poor health, Mr. Shigeru Kawagoe, nominally the Japanese Ambassador to China, resigned from his post today. Mr. Kawagoe returned to Japan from China last January.

Mr. Hachiro Arita, Foreign Minister, announced today that no new Ambassador to China will be appointed until a new Chinese Central Government has been organized and recognized by Japan.—Reuter.

Herr Von Ribbentrop Returns to Berlin

Paris, Dec. 8.

Reich's Foreign Minister, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, departed by special train for Berlin this morning at 10.08 o'clock.—Reuter.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling $8\frac{7}{16}$d. U.S.$ $16\frac{11}{16}$c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Dec. 8.

Silver prices advanced today, the quotations being:

	Dec. 7	Dec. 8
London spot	$20\frac{1}{16}$d.	$20\frac{5}{16}$d.
" forward	$19\frac{7}{16}$d.	$19\frac{9}{16}$d.
" gold	148/5d.	148/11d.

London/New York:

One pound	U.S.$4.6875	$4.6696
One U.S. dollar	51.200d.	51.394d.

—Reuter.

Arabs Freed to Go To London Talks

Prisoners Released But Barred From Palestine; Commons Announcement

London, Dec. 8.

The Governments of Egypt, Iraq, Saudi-Arabia, and Trans-Jordan, and the Jewish Agency have already accepted invitations to attend the Palestine Conference, it was announced by Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Colonial Secretary, in the House of Commons yesterday.

A formal invitation, he stated, had been sent to the King of Yemen.

With regard to the Arab representation to the Conference, the British Government was giving facilities to those debarred and excluded from Palestine, if chosen.

In order that deportees would be available, it had been decided to release them as soon as transport had been arranged. They would be free to go anywhere, except into Palestine.

Replying to questions, Mr. MacDonald said that the selection of Palestine Arabs was primarily a matter for the Palestine Arabs themselves.

The Colonial Office announces that, in pursuance of its decision with regard to Arabs excluded from Palestine, the Government has ordered the release of Arabs now detained in the Seychelles. This release will be final.—Reuter.

Demurrer Filed in Simon Case

Mr. Shields Unable to Prove Forging of Documents

A demurrer was filed in the United States Court for China yesterday by Mr. J. B. Davies, attorney for the defence, in an action brought against Mr. Frank Arthur Simon, 51, who had been charged with conspiring against the laws of the United States. The hearing was presided over by Judge Milton J. Helmick who adjourned the case until he shall have arrived at a decision.

The statutes used as a basis for the complaint, Mr. Davies told the court, were passed in 1792 and referred to sea letters, on penalty being written for their misuse. It was then pointed out by the defence that in the complaint, the defendant was charged with having defrauded two Chinese of $710 in a transaction concerning the registration of Chinese junks as American property. The charge had been dropped, however, as the complainants were no longer in Shanghai and because the money had been returned.

Mr. Davies pointed out that the documents in fact were only letters in which nothing was forged.

In reply to a question by Judge Helmick, Mr. Leighton Shields, District Attorney, said that he was not in a position to prove that the documents had been forged.

Statutes 61 and 62 concerning obstructions in the duties of the State Department, were then quoted by Mr. Shields who added that in this case the defendant had used official letters for the purpose of proving the ownership of certain junks that actually did not belong to him.

The hearing was then adjourned.

Indian Money Lending Cases Heard

Judgments Given in Favour Of Plaintiffs

Two moneylending cases in which both the plaintiffs and the defendants were Indians, were heard by Judge P. Grant Jones in H.B.M. Supreme Court yesterday morning, judgments being given for plaintiffs in both cases.

Chanan Singh, a jailer in the Ward Road Jail, was the defendant in the first case in which Ran Singh, a professional money-lender, claimed payment of $300 due him from the defendant. Chanan Singh told the court that he had only borrowed $150 but that he was willing to pay his debt at the rate of $1 per month.

Though he insisted repeatedly that all he actually owed was $150, the Judge told him that as he had signed a note for $300, he would have to pay that sum. Judgment for $420 being amount owed and costs, was then delivered, the defendant being ordered to make payments at the rate of $5 per month.

In the other moneylending case heard yesterday, judgment was given in favour of Labh Singh, in his claim for the refund of $600 lent to Sarwan Singh in 1934. Sarwan Singh was ordered to make monthly payments of $10.

British Naval Launch Salvaged After Mishap

Divers, Engineers Spend Two Days on Difficult Job

A motor launch from H.M.S. Kent which sank on Sunday night following a collision with the cargo-boat Cotton Light, was brought to the surface at about 6 o'clock yesterday evening after engineers and divers from the Shanghai Dockyards Ltd., had spent Monday locating the craft and proceeded to raise her yesterday early in the afternoon.

According to an eye-witness of the accident it appears that the Cotton Light was proceeding up river alongside the Gertrude Moller when, 150 feet from the French Mail pontoon, the motor boat tried to pass at a very short distance from the bow of the cargo boat. A few seconds later the crash occurred. The motor-boat was then seen making full speed for the British cruiser, but it sank just as attempts were being made to make fast by means of rope which had been let down from the Kent.

No one was injured and as soon as the hull had been located underneath H.M.S. Kent, divers went down to make her fast and she was subsequently pulled to the surface.

Chinese Seriously Hurt In Traffic Accident

An unidentified Chinese was seriously injured shortly after 6 o'clock yesterday evening when he was hit by a motor car. He was rushed to the Lester Chinese Hospital where it is not believed that he will live. Officers from Louza Police Station are investigating the accident.

Japan Denies Building 45,000-ton Warships

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Reports that Japan was building 40,000 to 45,000-ton battleships carrying 15.5-inch. armaments were categorically denied today by a spokesman of the Navy Ministry as "apparently based on various groundless rumours." The report first appeared in the German naval annual "Nautiks."—Domei.

Britain Will Uphold Trust of Mandates

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"We must bring them the benefits of modern medical science, so that they may enjoy always a more abundant health.

"The education of the natives is a growing concern of the British administrations, and the voluntary organizations of the Colonial Empire.

"The great purpose of the British Empire is the gradual spread of freedom amongst all of His Majesty's subjects throughout the world.

Evolution of Freedom

"The slow evolutionary process of the spread of freedom is proceeding all the time inside the Colonial Empire.

"In some countries, like Ceylon, the gaining of freedom has already gone very far.

"In others, it is necessarily making much slower progress.

"It might take generations, even centuries, for some peoples in some parts of the Colonial Empire to reach complete self-government—but it is the major part of our policy, even among the most backward peoples of Africa, to teach and encourage them always to be able to stand a little more on their own feet.

"Our love of freedom, not only for ourselves, but also for others has inspired our policy right through the Colonial Empire."

Mr. MacDonald said that he believed that the best assurance those people could have that that spirit would continue to guide their affairs was that they should continue their association with the British Empire.

More Definite Stand Wanted

Mr. MacDonald's statement was received with approval by all parties in the House.

There was, however, some criticism among supporters of the Government, that it did not go far enough, and that a still more definite statement should have been made.

On the other hand it was recognized that it was the only possible statement that could have been made, as no Government can ever bar completely, in a statement of policy, the acts of any future Government.

The "brutal frankness" of Herr Hitler's claim that ex-German colonies should be returned was recalled by Mr. Philip Noel Baker, yesterday, in moving his Opposition Labour Motion.

The claim, he said, made at Munich shortly after the Four Power Conference took place, was that the "Colonies must be returned without exception, without conditions, without a mandate system, and without delay."

Germans Build for War

By Article 119 of the Treaty of Versailles, Mr. Noel Baker, declared, Germany renounced all the rights and titles of her former overseas possessions, and in law that article was absolutely decisive.

The rulers of Germany and Italy, he said, were artificially increasing the populations of their countries, in order to increase the manpower which they hoped to use in future wars.

"It is no part of the duties of a peaceful world to provide colonial outlets in which that object can be achieved."

Quoting statistics, Mr. Noel Baker stated that in 1914, imports from her colonies to Germany amounted to only .5 per cent. of her total imports, namely 10/- in £100 sterling.

The real truth was that what were called colonies today were not an important source of raw materials for any nation.

Herr Hitler's racial theories showed that his Government was "utterly unfit to be trusted with the fate of a backward people."

Anti-Semitism Cited

His treatment of Jews showed what inferior subject races might expect at his hands.

"We are spending today £2,000,000,000 of our money preparing for war, and if war comes it will be against the Governments which have been guilty of aggression," Mr. Noel Baker continued.

"Is it conceivable that, while there is still a risk of war, we should give to an aggressive power new bases from which our shipping or our territory might be attacked?

"With Herr Hitler in Tanganyika, or West Coast Africa, today, it would make Africa what Europe is now—a volcano of fear, turmoil and unrest.

"It would start the formation of great, black armies, by which the whole history of the Continent might be changed," Mr. Noel Baker concluded.—Reuter.

U.S. Press Interested in Commons Debate

Reich Too Near S. America If African Land Returned

Washington, Dec. 8.

Lively interest has been aroused here by the reference to the colonies, made yesterday in the House of Commons by Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the British Colonial Secretary.

The "Washington Star" points out that the return of the colonies on the west Coast of Africa would place the Reich within easy striking distance of South America.

The same observation has been made in many other newspapers recently.

At the same time, the "Washington Star" condemns, as does the "New York Times," alleged attempts, by Nazi agents, to sabotage the Pan-American Conference, which opens at Lima, Peru, tomorrow.

For the second day in succession yesterday, President Roosevelt discussed European problems with Mr. Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State, and the United States Ambassadors to Germany, France and Italy.—Reuter.

Japanese Air Liner Crashes in Sea

Two Persons Rescued and Two Bodies Found; Eight Passengers in Plane

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

A 14-seater Douglas passenger aeroplane, of the Japan Aviation Corporation, crashed off Naha, capital of Okinawa Prefecture (Loochoo Islands), this morning, according to a telephone message from Naha.

The Japan Aviation Corporation rushed another Douglas plane to the scene, while two motorboats were also sent.

The ill-fated machine had hopped off from Taihoku at 6.30 this morning for Fukuoka.

At 9.06 a.m., the plane developed engine trouble and flashes an SOS, in answer to which two motorboats were rushed to the scene from Naha. The pilot of the plane found that one of his engines was out of order soon after he had taken off, but he kept on his flight to Naha with the remaining engine. This broke down later, however, which was the reason for the crash.—Reuter.

Two Survivors Rescued

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Two survivors were rescued by the ss. Miyako Maru of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, a dispatch from Taihoku said late this evening.

Two bodies were also picked up from the sea at a point 7 miles northwest of Kumajima, the southern most extremity of the Okinawa group. The spot was less than 25 miles from Naha, capital of the Okinawa group, where the ill-fated 'plane was to have landed on her way from Taihoku to Japan proper.

Aviation experts pointed to the similarity of the accidents that befell the German goodwill airliner Condor on Tuesday and that involving the Fuji. Both machines were forced down by mechanical trouble when close to an airport and safety.

The survivors, a telephone message from Naha said, were sighted at 4 o'clock this afternoon floating in the sea in their lifebelts.

The news of the rescue, radioed by the Miyako Maru, brought to the scene of the mishap the destroyer Nokaze, another steamer and three motorboats, in addition to the Japan Aviation Company's airliner Tsukuba which had been flown to Naha from Taihoku.

Efforts will be made to salvage the sunken airliner, the telephone message said.

Searchers held little hope for the rescue of other survivors.—Domei.

Seas Searched

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

The transport plane from Formosa carried eight passengers and a crew of four when it crashed.

With the plane long overdue, local airport authorities immediately started a search for the missing transport plane. Scouting planes were sent up and all steamers in the vicinity of Kyushu were advised to be on the lookout for the missing plane.—United Press.

Japan's Privy Council Powers Shorn

Minor Affairs Cut Out From Jurisdiction

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Metropolitan newspapers today praised the Premier, Prince Ayamaro Konoye, for finally solving the question of revising the list of matters to be referred to the Privy Council for approval. His predecessors were not able to settle this problem, the press said.

Changes were effected by a joint committee representing the government and Privy Council which decided to strike off the agenda the changes in the personnel of minor officials of the Korean and Formosan Governments-General, the Governments of Saghalien Prefecture, South Pacific Mandated Islands and the Kwantung Leased Territory.

Changes in the personnel of various governmental department secretaries also were removed from the jurisdiction of the council.

The committee limited the matters to be brought before the Privy Council to the creation or abolition of diplomatic establishments abroad, creation or abolition of provincial governments, decrees or regulations to be promulgated by the Korean or Formosan Governments-General creation or abolition of bureaux or boards in the government, and other special matters to be referred by the Emperor, including a declaration of war.—Domei.

French Strike Movement Now on Wane

Shipping Companies Offer To Re-Instate Crews

Paris, Dec. 8.

The strike movement, which is holding up the Normandie, and seventeen other ships, at Le Havre, is now waning.

The Strike Committee at Valenciennes has ordered the unconditional resumption of work by 150,000 metal workers.

Only 534 out of nearly 10,000 strikers at Lille continue to hold out.

Shipping companies have offered to re-instate crews who have been out on strike, provided that they return unconditionally. It is expected that the offer will be accepted.—Reuter.

Union Leader Sentenced

Valenciennes, Dec. 8.

Albert Thomas, the Trade Union leader, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment yesterday.

The police allege that Thomas was the chief agitator responsible for the recent strikes in iron and steel works in the Valenciennes and Lille districts.—Reuter.

Belgian Cabinet Crisis Finally Averted

Brussels, Dec. 7.

The Belgian Cabinet crisis was finally averted today. The Premier, M. Paul-Henri Spaak, is remaining in office. M. Spaak and the other Socialist Ministers decided today to remain despite the vote of censure passed by the Socialist Congress.—Havas.

Kiss Offered to War Contributors

Chungking, Dec. 8.

The pretty eighteen-year old Miss Wu Lan-feng, (Miss Orchid), is offering a kiss to whoever makes the largest contribution to the Government's war chest, according to Chinese reports today. It is understood that her offer has already been submitted to the local authorities for consideration.—Reuter.

Rome Welcomes "No War" Declaration

Text Given to Mussolini At End of October

Rome, Dec. 8.

The first official comment on the signature of the Franco-German "no war" declaration appears today in the Foreign Office organ, "Informazione Diplomatica."

In responsible circles in Rome, the journal states, the signing is received with "open favour" as bringing about a "notable clarification in the relations between two Powers.

The newspaper reveals that the text was communicated at the end of October by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, who signed the declaration on behalf of Germany, to Signor Mussolini, who "considered that a declaration of the nature of that signed at Paris would be useful for the furtherance of peace."

After a reference to the "peculiar and powerful structure" which is called the Rome-Berlin axis, the "Informazione Diplomatica" says that "as is well known, although not believing in perpetual peace and the everlasting crystallisation of special interests or situations, Italy gives her cordial adhesion to all which can bring peoples together."

The newspaper regrets that the policy of M. Bonnet meets with violent hostility from many French quarters, "which do not know how to free themselves from the spirit of Versailles."

"It may be," it adds, "that certain French circles had illusions that the Paris declaration might in some manner clip the axis, but any such illusion was really pitiable."—Reuter.

Nature of Parleys At Paris

French Press Report on Conversations

Paris, Dec. 8.

Questions affecting Spain, Italy's claims on France, the position of Jews in the Reich and the German policy in central and Eastern Europe were among those raised at the conversations between Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, and M. Georges Bonnet, French Foreign Minister, according to the Paris press today.

It is understood from well-informed quarters that Tunis was mentioned and that Herr von Ribbentrop said that it was purely a Franco-Italian question.

It is not for Germany, he is understood to have said, either to oppose the eventual claims of Italy or to support her.

Herr von Ribbentrop, it is stated, pointed out that the Berlin-Rome Axis was a bond of common outlook but it applied to general matters and not to specific questions in which Germany was not directly concerned.

According to M. Bousard, writing in the Petit Journal, M. Bonnet raised the question as to whether Germany, in order to encourage Jewish emigration, would permit the expelled Jews to take a little money with them.—Reuter.

Helen Vinson Sues Fred Perry For Divorce

Hollywood, Dec. 7.

Helen Vinson, blonde movie actress, sued Fred Perry, English professional tennis player, for divorce today. Miss Vinson, who recently was the central figure in a court case in which it was brought out that she was defrauded by a Hollywood promoter of U.S.$50,000, charged in her petition for divorce that Perry was rude and cruel. She charged him with extreme cruelty and said that he cursed her frequently.—United Press.

Soviet Commissar Resigns

Moscow, Dec. 8.

An official communique issued here today announces the resignation of M. Nikolai Yezhov, Home Affairs Commissar. M. Yezhov, however, still remains the Commissar for Water Transport.—Reuter.

Smuggling in Italy

Rome, Dec. 8.

The British-born Marchesa Godidi Godio (née Violet Kay), her husband and an Italian Jewish broker were today collectively fined 210,525 lire and recommended for deportation to a penal island on charges of currency smuggling.—Reuter.

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U.S. Navy Shown As Antiquated

Britain Leads with Japan Next in Force Of New War Vessels

Washington, Dec. 7.

Statistics released by the Navy Department here today revealed that the United States had the most antiquated navy of any of the great sea Powers.

Official figures as of June 30, 1938, showed that Great Britain had 195 modern, first-line fighting craft, Japan had 178, France had 172, Italy had 199, the U.S.S.R. had 142, the United States had 106, and Germany had 80.

The United States ranked second in total tonnage figures, coming next behind Great Britain. However, more than half of the United States Navy's tonnage represented battleships of which seven are already over age, with the remaining eight due to be outmoded within a few years.

Rearmament Financing

Important members of the Administration who are connected with the Budget Bureau today said that President Roosevelt intends to put his rearmament programme into effect without any considerable increase in the budget for the 1940 fiscal year.

There officials said that the 1940 budget would not greatly exceed that for 1939 despite the anticipated increase in defence expenditures. They said that in all probability new taxes might be avoided by reducing other items of Government expenditure, particularly expenditures for relief.

The President today told the press that details of the naval and military budgets were still incomplete. However, he said that the Government would keep defence costs divorced from both emergency relief and self-liquidating P.W.A. projects.—United Press.

Germany Launches New Aircraft Carrier

Marshal Goering Makes Speech at Ceremony

Kiel, Dec. 8.

Revealing the importance attached to the occasion by official circles, Herr Hitler and Marshal Hermann Goering were among the many high officials present at the launching today of Germany's first aircraft carrier.

With the day declared a holiday in Kiel, thousands of people crowded the shipyard and lined the bank, while all warships in the harbour were gaily beflagged.

In a speech Marshal Goering said that the proud ship was a symbol of German strength.

Germany's commerce, he declared, must be protected. The seas, he asserted, belonged only to the strong.

Countess Brandenstein, daughter-in-law of the late Count Zeppelin, christened the vessel, saying: "By order of the Fuehrer I christen you Graf Zeppelin."

A sister ship will be launched shortly, while two more will be ordered in due course.

The carrier launched today has a displacement of 19,250 tons, is able to carry 40 'planes, and is equipped with 16 six-inch guns, 10 heavy and 22 light anti-aircraft guns.

It has the same armour plating as heavy cruisers, and has a normal maximum speed of 32 knots.—Reuter.

Conscription for Manchoukuo

Changchun, Dec. 8.

The Government of Manchoukuo has decided to enforce military conscription in 1940, it was announced today. Preparations will be completed next year.—Domei.

Kuling Foreigners May Be Evacuated

Thirty-four Said Ready To Leave Resort

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Thirty-four members of the international community of Kuling, summer resort in the Lushan mountains, will be evacuated to Kiukiang on Saturday, the Japanese consulate in the Yangtze port announced today, according to a press dispatch received here.

The group will include 15 Americans, 14 Britons, three Germans and two Swedish nationals. They will be accompanied to Kiukiang by 12 Chinese servants, the Japanese authorities were said to have announced.

Chinese commanders, whose forces are entrenched in the mountain, were reluctant to allow the foreigners to leave apparently from fear that if the international community of about 150 man, women and children is completely evacuated, the Japanese troops will launch an intensive mopping-up operation on Lushan, according to the dispatch.—Domei.

OBITUARIES

Mr. Frank Bowcher

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 8.

Mr. Frank Bowcher, the famous sculptor, died yesterday.

Among the medals, mural tablets and marble portraits which he executed during his lifetime were those for the Corporation of the City of London, the Worcester County Council, the Berkshire Educational Committee, the Royal College of Art, the Royal College of Science, the Royal College of Physicians, the College of Music, Eton College, the Geological Society, the Royal Engineers, and St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

He also executed silver seals for His late Majesty, King George V.—Reuter.

Mr. Charles Donaldson

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 8.

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Charles Donaldson, the ship-owner.—Reuter.

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VICKS VAPORUB

Queen Maud Laid To Rest

Many Notables Included In Procession

Oslo, Dec. 8.

All Norway today observed two-minutes' silence during the funeral of Queen Maud. She was laid to rest after a simple, impressive church service.

Among the many notables in the procession were King Haakon, Crown Prince Olav, the King and Queen of Denmark, the Duke of Kent, and representatives of the Royal families of Sweden, Belgium and Greece.

Wreaths were received from all parts of the world, notably M. Lebrun, President of France; Herr Hitler; the Duke of Windsor, the Emperor of Japan, and King Farouk of Egypt.—Reuter.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

DR. P. F. Price's subject for his 8.30 Saturday evening broadcast over Station X.M.H.D. is "Excuses."

MISS Helen Vinson, the film actress, has filed a suit in Los Angeles for divorce against Fred Perry, the tennis star. The grounds for the action are alleged mental cruelty.

A ROMANCE that began in school ended in a Hollywood courtroom when Mr. Harmon O. Nelson, Jr., band leader, was granted a divorce by default against Miss Bette Davis, vivacious movie actress.

THE report of the Industrial Department of the Shanghai Municipal Council for November is contained in the Municipal Gazette accompanying this issue of the "North-China Daily News."

THE Municipal flag on the Administration Building was lowered throughout the day on December 8 as a token of respect for the late Queen Maud of Norway whose funeral was taking place at Oslo.

TELEGRAPHIC advice has been received from Canada to the effect that Mr. Harry A. Scott, formerly Canadian Government Trade Commissioner at Shanghai, has been transferred in a similar capacity to London, England.

THE valuable Goncourt literary prize was awarded this year to the writer Henri Troyat for his book "Laragne." The Theophaste Renaudot prize was awarded to the journalist Pierre-Jean Launay for his novel "Leonie, the Blessed."

SENOR Eduardo Racedo, outgoing Argentine Minister, was decorated with the First Class Order of the Sacred Treasure by Emperor Hirohito in recognition of his services in promoting friendly relations between Japan and Argentina.

THE Shanghai Power Co. invite all interested to attend a demonstration on Tuesday, December 13, at 181 Nanking Road, of home lighting and the use of small electric appliances. Waffles, coffee and toast will be made, and the results offered as refreshment to the guests.

MR. Edwin Orr, of Belfast, Ireland, author of several books regarding his evangelistic work in different countries, will be passing through Shanghai on Sunday next, and is expected to preach at the Free Christian Church, 681 Hart Road, at six p.m., December 10.

THE Gardening Section of the British Women's Association remind members of the Association that the meeting at Headquarters this morning at 10 a.m. is open to all members who care to attend. Mrs. Lewis will demonstrate "Salad Making," and the salads will be available for sale afterwards.

A JOINT appeal to Moslems throughout the world to "unite against the common enemy," was sent out by more than 400 Moslems from Sian recently. The appeal was made as a result of recent Japanese air raids over Sian which resulted in the death of a number of Moslems and destroyed several mosques.

THE third "Hour of Music" at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. will be held today at 6 p.m. The programme is conducted by Mr. George Singer, piano; Mr. Michael Riskin, violin; Mr. John Stupel, cello; and Mrs. Raya Bershadsky, soprano. Members and friends of the association are cordially invited to attend.

UNDER the auspices of the National Resources Commission of the Ministry of Economics, the tin output of the Kokiu mining district, Yunnan province, has been increased to more than 9,000 tons in the course of this year. Yunnan is the chief tin-mining centre in China, with Kwangsi and Hunan next in the volume of output. The annual production of tin in these areas in former years aggregated 7,400 tons, with Yunnan accounting for more than 80 per cent. of this amount.

THE Kiangsu Provincial Government, says the "Sin Wan Pao," has prohibited the export of wheat from the province, lest the grain find its way to the Japanese, and is encouraging the establishment of Chinese flour mills in the interior. Permission has already been granted to 23 flour mills, but so far only 18 of these are operating. Chinese flour mills in Shanghai, however, may import wheat from northern Kiangsu areas, provided applications to the Kiangsu Provincial Government are accompanied by bona fide testimony from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and the Flour Mills Owners' Association, the report adds.

"IAN Hay," or Major-General Beith, as he will in future be known, in view of his new appointment at the War Office, is one of the few men who can claim to have been spanked by Sir John Simon. Many years ago he was Sir John's fag at Fettes College—and the rest of the story is that he could never learn how to light a study fire. Some years later, when he had become a master at Fettes, he sent the manuscript of a novel, laboriously written over a period of six years, to a concern known as the "Universal Publishing Company," whose advertisement he encountered by chance. He was invited to come to London for an interview with the managing director, who persuaded him to put down £50 towards the cost of publication. The managing director was Edgar Wallace, who confessed years later that the £50 saved him from bankruptcy!

THE fourth drawing of the Refugee Relief Lottery will take place this afternoon at the Canidrome commencing at 2 p.m. sharp. Each prize winning number will be broadcast in English, over Radio Station XMHA, 600 Kilocycles or the equivalent of 500 metres, and in Chinese, over Station XHHA, 1340 Kilocycles. Sales of tickets have exceeded the guaranteed minimum number to be sold (30,000) and it is expected that the total number printed may be exhausted before the drawing. Since the inception of this lottery $199,891.34 have already been alloted for the relief of refugees and other civilian victims of the war. Of this amount, the distribution committee have paid out $146,391.34 to the various charitable societies and have placed $53,500 in reserve for the eventual rehabilitation of the refugees. Tickets for today's drawing may still be purchased up to noon, at the principal exchange and lottery ticket shops.

Communications in China Restored

"Reformed Government's" Spokesman Tells of Big Improvements Made

Nanking, Dec. 8.

Hastening the execution of its plans to restore communication facilities in Central China and establish new services, the "Reformed Government" is taking action to expand railway and bus, telegraph, postal and aviation lines, Mr. Chiang Hung-chieh, Minister of Communications, told newspaper men here yesterday.

A College of Communications and a Bank of Communications will be established in Nanking in the near future, he said. A Navigation Administration will be organized on December 15, and all Chinese owned vessels will be registered, he disclosed.

In order to expand the two air routes of the Japan Aviation Corporation a large aviation company under Sino-Japanese management will be established soon, Mr. Chiang stated.

"The quick action of the Japanese military authorities saved much of the equipment damaged by the Chinese troops," he declared.

Local Services Resumed

"Passenger and freight service has been resumed for some time on the Shanghai-Hangchow, Shanghai-Nanking and Soochow-Kashing Railways and branch lines.

"Traffic on these lines has improved and the service is much better than it was before the hostilities, with regular schedules on the main lines connecting Nanking, Shanghai and Hangchow.

"The government plans to establish a network of railways in Central China in the future with Sino-Japanese co-operation.

"Broad, smooth highways will link the leading cities in Central China and bus lines will be operated. Improvements on highways between Shanghai, Nanking, Soochow and Hangchow will be supervised by the Central China Urban Transport Co., which was established December 2.

"Telegraph lines were not spared when the Chinese armies did their work of destruction, but most of the facilities have been restored in the areas under the jurisdiction of the government. Telegraph and telephone lines connecting Central China cities with Japan, Manchoukuo, North China and Hawaii have been operating since July 2.

Hankow Communication Restored

"Inter-city communications in Central China have been restored and Hankow has been brought into the network. Direct telephone service between Shanghai and Japan has been open to the public since November and service between Nanking and Shanghai is scheduled to start very soon.

"Postal Administrations were re-established in Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei provinces soon after the Communications Ministry was inaugurated. The postal system in these provinces is divided into 234 zones. A General Postal Administration Bureau will be established shortly.

Parcel delivery and postal savings services will be provided after the bureau is set up.

"A Navigation Administration will be organized on December 15 and all ships owned by Chinese will be registered. Vessels not registered will not be allowed to navigate on the waterways of China.

"Many Chinese owned merchant ships have been transferred to foreign ownership since the start of hostilities and this mistaken policy should be rectified. The Communications Ministry will supervise navigation rights in China.

"A large air transport company will be established under Sino-Japanese management in the near future in order to expand the two air lines of the Japan Aviation Corporation. At present Nanking is connected with Fukuoka and Tokyo, while Peiping and Tientsin are connected with Tokyo by another route.

"Because of military necessity aerial operations in Central China are centralized under the control of the military authorities."—Domei.

Wa Wai Gamblers Are Sentenced

New Establishments Opened In Western District

Yesterday, in the Second Special District Court, ten Wa Wai gambling house owners and gamblers, who were arrested in the French Concession early in the week, were sentenced to two or three months' imprisonment.

It is interesting to note that the evil of Wa Wai gambling, a kind of privately arranged lottery system created for the purpose of enriching a few people who run the business was stamped out some years ago as a result of the combined efforts made by the police of the then three municipalities. Numerous Wa Wai gamblers were arrested and prosecuted.

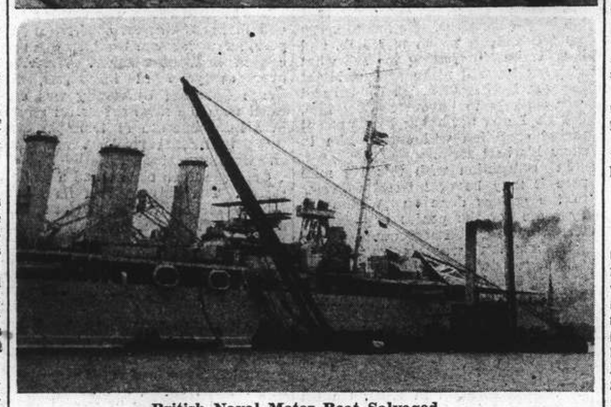
Recently, numerous gambling houses have been run by professional gamblers in the western district and they pay heavy taxes to the Japanese-supported Chinese authorities daily or monthly. It has now been revealed in court that the latest device of the gamblers is to revive Wa Wai gambling among the ignorant and several notorious Wa Wai gamblers have established their headquarters in Tsaokadoo, Chinese territory near the western district.

Careful investigations made by special detectives in the Concession revealed that two branches of the new gambling establishment were located in Avenue Haig and Siccawei. Accordingly, a raid was carried out on the Avenue Haig premises where Koo Hai-keng was arrested. Koo, it was alleged in court, was the manager of the branch establishment. When the police went to the Siccawei establishment they could not discover the manager because he had fled before they arrived but they took seven gamblers into custody.

Robbers Get $96 Loot In Connaught Road

Three Chinese robbers carrying two pistols entered House 15, Lane 394 Connaught Road, at 9 o'clock yesterday morning and stole property to the total value of $90. They escaped, and no shots were fired.

A Chinese man walking in Park Road, near Burkill Road, at 2.30 p.m. was halted by two Chinese who were apparently unarmed. The men took $65 from him and fled.



British Naval Motor Boat Salvaged

A motor boat belonging to H.M.S. Kent, which was sunk in collision with a Chinese cargo boat, was salvaged yesterday by a crew and sheerlegs from the Shanghai Dockyards. Here is seen salvage work under way. A difficulty lay in the fact that the boat was washed under the cruiser.

Woman Executed In Ohio Town

German Subject Sent To Chair for Murder; Mercy Writ Refused

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 8.

Only a few hours before she was due to go to the electric chair, her lawyers made a final vain attempt to save the life of Mrs. Anna Hahn, 31 year-old German subject, convicted of murder in the first degree.

In spite of their efforts, Mrs. Hahn was electrocuted yesterday.

As a last legal step, counsel sought a writ mandamus in the Federal Court, contending that she had not been given a proper opportunity to defend herself.

The writ was, however, refused at the last moment.

Mrs. Hahn was in a pitiable state throughout the day. Her condition was so critical that a doctor had to be summoned to administer spirits of ammonia, and black coffee.

She was found guilty 13 months ago of the murder of Jacob Wagner, a retired gardener.

Mrs. Hahn went to the chair wearing blue pyjamas.

She mumbled appeals as she stumbled towards the door of the execution chamber, and then collapsed.

She was picked up by guards, who carried her to the chair.

As the guards fixed the straps, she shouted to the warden:—"Don't do it! Think of my boy!"

She then pleadingly stretched out her arms towards the witnesses, crying "Will nobody help me?"—Reuter.

China to Continue to Suppress Opium

War Makes No Difference To Government's Resolve

Chungking, Dec. 8.

The Cabinet, at a meeting yesterday, unanimously decided that, despite the present war, every effort must be made to exterminate the opium evil throughout China.

The spokesman of the Executive Yuan revealed that the Cabinet had approved a programme for the complete suppression of opium in Szechuen province within the next year.

It also planned to adopt a similar programme in other provinces.—Reuter.

Americans Coming in U.S.S. Monocacy

It is understood that 35 Americans who have been staying at Kuling have expressed their desire to proceed to Shanghai in the U.S.S. Monocacy, when the Chinese military allow them to come down the hill. In anticipation of this acquiescence, the Japanese authorities have transported food to Kiukiang and an additional five tons are to be despatched in the near future. It is reported that the Japanese convoy to the U.S.S. Luzon remained at Wuhu and the American warship is proceeding to Shanghai "on her own." She and the Amiral Charnier are expected in port today.

Motor Cars Disappear From German Factory

Mystery Surrounds Machinery Theft in Chapei

Twenty-six electric motors valued at about $15,000 have mysteriously disappeared from mill number two of the Deutsche Farben Handelsgesellschaft Waibel & Co., situated on Paoshan Road near the Eight-character Bridge, it was learned from reliable sources yesterday.

The mill which was slightly damaged during last year's hostilities, was not being operated at present and Japanese watchmen had been engaged by the German Chemical dye concern to keep the plant locked up.

The discovery of the disappearance of the machinery was made two days ago and the Japanese watchmen professed ignorance as to how the motors disappeared. Due to the fact that it must have taken anywhere between 20 and 30 coolies to shift the machinery onto trucks, it is hard to believe that the watchman had no knowledge of the affair if he actually was at his post, the same sources believed.

The Japanese authorities are understood to have taken up investigations and have arrested a Russian and a Chinese. After questioning these suspects however, they were released. No further details are available but investigations are proceeding, it was understood.

Canton Bombings Revolt Britons

Appeal Signed by 110 Mayors in Britain on Sparing Open Towns

London, Dec. 8.

A total of 110 mayors have signed an appeal to the governments of the world to protest against the bombardment of open towns, and especially Canton.

The appeal is a response to a telegram sent in June from the Mayor of Canton to the Secretariat of the International Peace Campaign, in which particular reference was made to air raids on Canton.

The appeal states:—

"Conscience revolts at the thought of the merciless killing of mothers and children.....we appeal to the population of our cities, and the cities of all countries, to protest against these bombardments, so that the force of public opinion will cause the Japanese Government to end these massacres.

"We appeal to all the governments of the world, without exception, to protest on behalf of their own peoples.

"By so doing, they will render an inestimable service to humanity."—Reuter.

Commons Statement

London, Dec. 7.

In a reference to the alleged recent threat made by the Spanish Nationalists by wireless to bomb towns and villages in Spanish Republican territory and replying to a statement in the House of Commons at question time today that over 70 civilians had been killed in recent air raids by the Nationalists, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said he could only reiterate the views of the British Government on the aerial bombardment of the civilian populations of open towns—of which views General Franco was fully aware.

Answering a request that he should appeal to General Franco not to carry out the policy directed against the civilian population, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, replied that the Government's view had been stated and General Franco's administration was well aware of that view.—Wirless through Reuter.

Sandpiper Incident Settled

Japanese Agree to Pay For Damage Done

Questioned at yesterday's press conference by a representative of the "North-China Daily News," regarding the settlement of negotiations concerning the bombing of H.M.S. Sandpiper near Changsha on October 24, the naval spokesman stated that discussions in Shanghai had been concluded and that the matter had been amicably and completely settled.

Pressed for the terms of settlement, the spokesman said that Japan had agreed to pay for the damage which H.M.S. Sandpiper had sustained when bombs or fragments of bombs had struck her superstructure.

Further, Vice-Admiral K. Oikawa, C.-in-C. of the Japanese China Sea Fleet, had expressed his regrets for the incident, while the British recognized the fact that the attack was not deliberate.

It will be recalled that at the time of the bombing, it had been agreed by both parties that the naval representatives of both Governments should attempt to settle the matter locally and discussions have been continuing since that time.

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Man Killed in Collision Of Bicycle and Bus

Two Japanese Soldiers Hurt in Other Mishap

A Chinese was killed and another slightly injured at 2.45 o'clock yesterday afternoon in a collision between a bicycle and a motor-bus at the intersection of Chengtu and Shanhaikwan Roads. Both men were taken to St. Luke's Hospital in a Fire Brigade ambulance. At the hospital it was found that one was dead and that the other had escaped with minor injuries to his right foot.

Two Japanese soldiers suffered head injuries during the noon hour yesterday when they were knocked down by a motor-lorry in Yangtszepoo Road, a short distance west of the Lay Road Creek. The accident occurred in front of the Yangtszepoo Fire Station, whence an ambulance turned out to take the injured soldiers to the former Sacred Heart Hospital.

Russians Detained on Heroin Charge

On suspicion that they had tried to sell heroin to a police informer in a house in Connaught Road on Wednesday, three Russians and two Chinese were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday on a writ of detention. They were not questioned and the formal hearing of the case is to take place on Thursday next.

The accused were Georgy S. Anisimoff, Genady C. Von Arnold and Leo N. Primortzeff and Miao Vee-hong and Wu Wei-jin.

In the guise of a customer, the police informer first negotiated with the two accused Chinese for the purchase of 25 ounces of heroin with $2,000. When the Russians turned up and allegedly showed some sample goods the police stepped in and arrested them. The homes of the three Russians were raided by the police led by Detective-Sergeant J. Y. Hillhouse and, as a result, they found a quantity of opium and a pair of scales.

Japanese Hope Canton Will Rival Hongkong

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

The "Niyako" gives prominence to a special story from Canton, predicting that Canton will replace Hongkong as a seaport.

The journal states that an investigation by Japanese conservancy experts revealed that Whampoa was capable of accommodating ships of more than 7,000 tons.—Reuter.

British Collier Hit By Rebel Bomb

Madrid, Dec. 7.

The British collier Lake Geneva was struck by bombs today when five tri-motored Nationalist bombers raided Alicante, the Republican headquarters here said. The planes hurled a total of seventy bombs on Alicante, causing considerable damage. The number of casualties was not revealed.—United Press.

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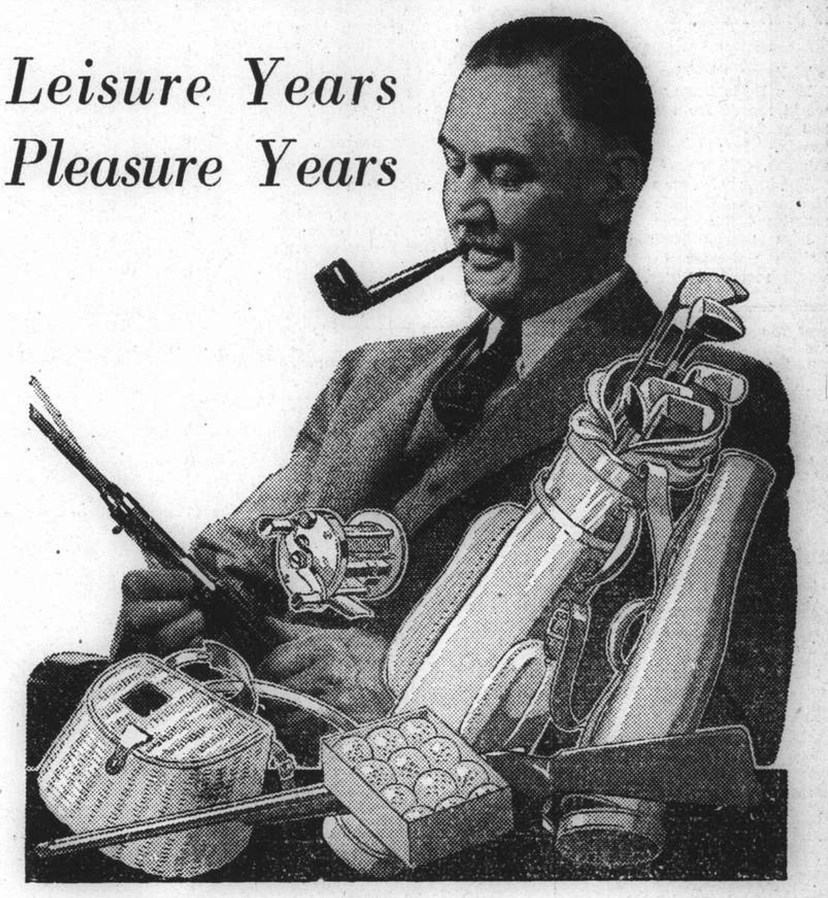

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Mrs. Moody Refuses Big Offer To Turn Professional

World's Greatest Woman Tennis Player Rejects $100,000; Prefers Amateur Status

Hollywood, Dec. 7.

MRS. Helen Wills Moody, the world's greatest woman tennis player, disclosed today that an unidentified promoter had offered her about U.S.$100,000 to turn professional, but she refused the offer.

The Californian player, who this summer created a new world record by winning the Wimbledon title for the eighth time and bettering the seven-victory mark of the late Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen, said she turned down the offer because she preferred to retain her amateur status and play in tournaments at her own pleasure.

Mrs. Moody, who staged a glorious comeback this summer in winning the Wimbledon championship and defeating her most bitter rival, Miss Helen Jacobs, failed to participate in the United States national open singles title series.

She decided not to play in the American championship because she was indisposed and suffered from her back ailment which caused her a few years ago to walk out when playing Miss Jacobs and give her the U.S. title in a match which created a storm of criticism directed at Mrs. Moody.—United Press.

Galento Flattens Otis Thomas

Beer Barrel Boxer Blasts Negro to Canvas in 9th Round at St. Louis

St. Louis, Dec. 7.

Burly, beer-drinking, cigar-smoking Tony Galento continued his winning streak in his climb to the top in the heavyweight class by knocking out Otis Thomas, tough negro, in the ninth round of a planned twelve-round bout tonight.

The swaggering Italian-American bar tender, nicknamed the "man who walks like a beer barrel, waded into his foe and shook him with continual body jolts and terrible right swings which wore down the negro from Chicago.

Thomas put up a fairly good showing, but his foe's peculiar style and his bobbing and punching tactics puzzled him. He took some severe punishment from his stocky opponent, who has been named the leading heavyweight contender by the National Boxing Association, before taking the fatal count in the ninth round.

A thudding left hook to the stomach took all the wind and fight out of Thomas who collapsed to the canvas and was still unconscious when the referee had completed tolling the fatal "ten."

Galento, seemingly fatter than usual, tipped the scales at 227 pounds, while his foe weighed 208 pounds. Galento, despite his somewhat big waistline, proved to be in fine condition for he did most of the forcing.—United Press.

British Woman Wins World Record

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Wallasey, Cheshire, Dec. 8.

Miss Doris Storey broke the world record for the women's 200 yards, breast stroke, yesterday. Her time was two minutes, 42.4 seconds.

The former holder was Hanni Holtzner, whose time was two minutes 42.6 seconds.

Miss Storey is the only British swimmer to hold a world record.—Reuter.

Canidrome Results

1—440 yd. flat.—1, Charming Lee; 2, Princess Talgai.
Also ran:—Harvard, Gator, Arrow, Vita Spermin.
4½ lengths.—Time, 27.40.
Win, $12.70. Forecast (5-6) Div. $130.40.
Place, 1st $8.40; 2nd $15.20.

2—500 yd. flat.—1, The Stowaway; 2, Rio Princess.
Also ran:—Wild Wind, Uranus, Vanity Fair, Mercury.
9 lengths.—Time, 30.36.
Win, $13.20. Forecast (6-5) Div. $60.80.
Place, 1st $8.90; 2nd $15.50.
Double Event 1/2 (5-6) Div. $20.30.

3—500 yd. flat.—1, La Douna; 2, Swallow.
Also ran:—Terminjay, Our Best, Wallfish, Luss Shore.
1 length.—Time, 30.91.
Win, $21.80. Forecast (4-3) Div. $100.00.
Place, 1st $11.50; 2nd $10.20.
Double Event 2/3 (6-4) Div. $18.30.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Zayelong; 2, Triumph.
Also ran:—Zayelong, Beriniedale, Aidyn Wild, Humpty Dumpty.
4 lengths.—Time, 30.37.
Win, $58.20. Forecast (4-3) Div. $220.00.
Place, 1st $17.00; 2nd $15.20.
Double Event 6/7 (4-4) Div. $84.70.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Bronte; 2, Woosung.
Also ran:—Diavolo, Barney, Our Hope, Mad Plume.
1 length.—Time, 30.61.
Win, $23.30. Forecast (6-3) Div. $91.60.
Place, 1st $9.40; 2nd $11.60.
Double Event 4/5 (4-6) Div. $126.10.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Jack O'Lantern; 2, Terence.
Also ran:—Beau Ideal, Flyco, Quicksand, Speed Cop.
5 lengths.—Time, 30.33.
Win, $13.40. Forecast (1-4) Div. $81.10.
Place, 1st $9.00; 2nd $12.20.
Double Event 5/6 (6-1) Div. $23.20.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Kittywinks; 2, Fairy Bells.
Also ran:—Corinthian, Full House, Pierce Arrow, Coquette.
Short head.—Time, 30.21.
Win, $30.60. Forecast (4-6) Div. $70.80.
Place, 1st $16.20; 2nd $12.80.
Double Event 3/4 (1-4) Div. $56.80.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Actor; 2, Silhouette.
Also ran:—Carnera, Gleniffer, O'Branagan, Chop Stick.
½ length.—Time, $30.19.
Win, $20.80. Forecast (5-6) Div. $126.50.
Place, 1st $13.00; 2nd $10.70.
Double Event 7/8 (4-5) Div. $37.50.

9—500 flat.—1, Brilliant Tot; 2, Bella.
Also ran:—Luhai Lily, Daleson, Mr. Hattagee, Wild Rose.
A neck.—Time, 30.11.
Win, $22.30. Forecast (1-5) Div. $128.10.
Place, 1st $11.20; 2nd $10.40.
Double Event 8/9 (5-1) Div. $36.00.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Saucy Johnnie; 2, Rosie O'Hara.
Also ran:—Eve, Chihli Flying Squirrel, Beaconsfield, Chihli Gazelle.
6 lengths.—Time, 29.76.
Win, $36.90. Forecast (5-4) Div. $137.00.
Place, 1st $14.30; 2nd $9.70.
Double Event 9/10 (1-5) Div. $111.40.

11—525 yd. flat.—1, Deflation; 2, Radio.
Also ran:—Spermin Lecitin, Brigand, Diamond Queen, The Quartermaster.
1 length.—Time, 31.17.
Win, $20.50. Forecast (3-4) Div. $116.30.
Place, 1st $22.30; 2nd $12.30.
Double Event 10/11 (5-3) Div. $85.90.

12—525 yd. flat.—1, Tinker; 2, Bethany.
Also ran:—Nancy Blue, Cairngarm, Glenora, Chop Chop.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.87.
Win, $23.20. Forecast (2-5) Div. $61.20.
Place, 1st $8.40; 2nd $7.40.
Double Event 11/12 (3-2) Div. $53.50.

R.A.M.C. Hurl Way to Darts Championship

Feathered-Arrow Contest Brings Keen Rivalry

Before a very large crowd of interested spectators, the final tie of the "Police Gazette" Darts Challenge Cup was played off on Wednesday evening at Carter Road Police Quarters, the Royal Army Medical Corps downing the Royal Army Service Corps by five games to four to become undisputed feathered-arrows champions of Shanghai.

As the final score indicates, the match was fought at a nip-and-tuck pace from start to finish and although the series never reached the high standard observed in previous rounds, the play was most keen and thoroughly enjoyed from both the competitors' and followers' angle. The R.A.S.C. experienced difficulty in finding the doubles and this deficiency undoubtedly cost them the title, several games being won by their opponents when they were on the post unable to make the so essential double kill.

Medicals Lead

The Medicals got off to a good lead by taking the first two double-pair games, but the remaining pairs went to the Service players as did the first of the singles to put them in the lead 3 to 2. The R.A.M.C. then made a finely timed come-back to capture the next two singles to regain the lead, and with one other single and a team event to be played, the match was continued at a tense pace. The last singles saw Churchman of the Medicals requiring a double one to win the game and match as against the 165 required by Cutler, and the former, although taking seven throws to obtain the 2 he wanted, had the worst of luck on each occasion that he aimed. Cutler, catching up fast, needed only 26 when the judge's hand went up to indicate that the Medical player had won, and he twice missed the necessary double by the merest of fractions. The final series saw the Service team eke out a narrow victory in a game of 1001 up, but the effort came too late as the match and cup had already been won.

Score:

Royal and Wass (501) beat Gazely and Weir (497).
Higginbotham and Churchman (501) beat Curry and Cutler (491)
Higginbotham and Churchman (493) lost to Gazely and Weir (501).
Royal and Wass (218) lost to Curry and Cutler (501).
Royal (265) lost to Gazely (301).
Wass (301) beat Weir (279).
Higginbotham (301) beat Curry (299).
Churchman (301) beat Cutler (275).
Royal, Wass, Higginbotham and Churchman (983) lost to (Gazely, Weir, Curry and Cutler (1001).

Weir an Expert

Only one score over the century mark was recorded, Weir hitting up 121 in the final series to make the game, but not the match, safe for the R.A.S.C. Gazely, however, in returning the best average of the evening, just missed the 100 on several occasions, securing several throws in the seventies, eighties and nineties.

The Cup and individual prizes will be presented by the management of the "Police Gazette" at a Social to be held at the Police Club on Saturday evening. Although the big tournament of the year is now over it is confidently expected that arrangements will soon be made for a Shanghai Darts League to function on competitive lines.

Golf Trophy at Stake This Morning

The final (36 holes) of the Major Gerrard Trophy between J. C. Dickson of the Police and J. C. Grubb of the Jail, will be played today at Hungjao with the first round starting at 8.15 a.m. and the second round beginning at 11 a.m.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Hard-Playing Softballer

One of the American girls who visited Shanghai on Saturday is seen fixing her glove during the game played at the Canidrome.

Seaforths Defeat U.S.S. Augusta

Soldiers Win Two Out of Three in Series of Race Course Golf Matches

For the past three Wednesday afternoons a four man golf team from the Seaforths has competed against a four man team from the U.S.S. Augusta at the Race Course. The first match resulted in a win for the Seaforths, in the second match the Augusta came out the winners, and in yesterday's match to decide which was the better team, the Seaforths won in a very close match which ended 11 to 7. All three of the friendly games were match play, the men going off in foursomes, playing man against man and team against team.

The first foursome was between Hallick and Dickert of the Augusta, and the Clark brothers of the Seaforths and the Clark brothers won with 5½ points to 3½ for the Augusta.

Hallick in his match with J. Clark lost the first 9, won the second and 18 for 2 points. W. Clark in his match against Dickert won all 3 points. As a team Hallick and Dickert lost the first 9, won the second, and halved the 18; The Clark brothers winning the first 9 and halving the 18.

Hallick Low Score

The second foursome between Simpson and Priebe of the Augusta, and Jones and Fleming of the Seaforths, ended with Jones and Fleming on the long end of the score 5½ to 3½. Simpson lost everything to Jones. Priebe took all 3 points from Fleming. As a team Jones and Fleming won the first and second 9s. and halved the 18 for 2½ points the Augusta team gaining only ½ point as a team. Thus the match for yesterday ended 11 to 7 for the Seaforths.

The low medal scores for the match yesterday were:—Hallick—Augusta 81; Jones—Seaforths 82; J. Clark and W. Clark—Seaforths 86 each; Simpson—Augusta 92; Priebe—Augusta 96; Dickert—Augusta 103; Fleming—Seaforths 104.

World Fair Abandons Big Fight Plans

No Certain Opponent for Joe Louis Available

San Francisco, Dec. 7.

The San Francisco World Fair authorities announced today that they had abandoned plans to stage a world heavyweight championship bout here in 1939 because of the uncertainty of obtaining a suitable opponent for Joe Louis, world titleholder.

The Exposition officials last month announced that they had finally completed arrangements with Mike Jacobs for the staging of a world heavyweight title bout at the World Fair next spring.

Although they failed to name an opponent for the negro champion, they suggested that they could obtain the services of either Maxie Baer, former world champion, or Lou Nova, youthful Californian heavyweight and a leading contender for the world title honours.—United Press.

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Rugby Union Results

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 8.

Sussex defeated Kent by 15 points to 10 in a Rugby Union County match played at Sidcup today. In another Rugby Union match, played at Richmond, Surrey and Hampshire drew. The score was eight points all.—Reuter.

Scotland Defeats Hungary 3-1

Winners Play with Only Ten Men in Second Half Of Soccer Match

Glasgow, Dec. 8.

Scotland were the victors by three goals to one in their soccer match against Hungary here yesterday.

Walker, Black and Gillick scored in the first half for Scotland, and the home team led by three goals to nil at half time.

With Black injured, Scotland played with only ten men in the second half.

The Hungarian goal-keeper made many fine saves to prevent Scotland from running away with a more decisive victory.

Sarosi scored Hungary's single goal from a penalty for "hands."

Even with one man short, Scotland remained the better side throughout the game.—Reuter.

Shanghai Hockey Club Teams This Week-end

The following teams will turn out this Week-end:—

S.H.C. "A."—J. Pullen, E. Beeching, H. A. Crickmer, C. B. Broadbent (capt.), D. S. Harley, B. K. Wallace, J. S. Kenyon, L. G. Shellam, J. R. Cole, J. W. Pote-Hunt, R. J. Parsons.

S.H.C. "B."—E. Brazel, J. H. Blakelock (Capt.), H. K. Cassels, J. Larsen, E. W. Price, W. M. Macoustra, G. J. Read, J. C. Boldero, A. Maude, J. Robertson, L. Underwood. Umpire:—R. Babbington.

S.H.C. "C."—H. A. Crickmer, J. Fairbairn, A. M. Allatt, F. C. Warburton, W. M. Macoustra, J. Larsen, R. C. P. Rouse, C. Woolhouse, T. H. Wood, H. W. Carter, R. M. P. Skinner. Umpire:—C. B. Broadbent.

S.H.C. "D."—A. J. Evans (Capt.), J. R. Kale, E. A. Jolley, A. Maude, L. Underwood J. W. Galvin, I. C. M. Pemberton, E. W. Bannister, P. F. Watkinson. E. Brazel, G. J. Read. Umpire:—E. P. Higgs.

Training Gallops Reviewed

Good Racing Anticipated Tomorrow in Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting

"By Ching"

Wednesday's training gallops combined with the publishing of the handicap weights the different ponies will have to carry, gives hopes of some excellent racing tomorrow for the club's 13th Extra Race Meeting, which consists of eight races on the flat, with seven of them handicaps, the other a seller.

Amongst them, a race that is of some importance is at 1¾ mile open to all ponies, and for which ten entered including Ancient Tower late Ming Yee, a pony that has raced successfully in Tientsin, but has yet to make his name amongst the local champions. He has to carry his full weight, which is 155 lb. and it will be interesting to see what showing he will make against Night Express, Roehampton, Un Un Un and others likely to be out against him, though I do not think his present racing condition will enable him to show his best form.

In connection with this 1¾ mile race it may be of interest to refer to the gallops done on Wednesday by some of the ponies expected to weigh out for it tomorrow.

Roehampton went one mile in company, doing it in 2.15.3 last quarter 32. Woodbridge was with him, and his style at the finish was the better of the two. Roehampton can weigh out at 148 lb. which is 10 lb. less than he carried last Saturday when failing by a short head to win the 1¼ mile race won by Busted Straight in 2.40¼. Un Un Un went 1¼ mile with Sammy, doing the last mile of it 2.13.3, last quarter 32.2. making it quite a satisfactory training gallop.

Bober Looks Well

Other gallops done by 1st class ponies that may be seen out in the 7 furlongs handicap tomorrow, included Bober one mile in 2.13.3, last quarter 33, not pressed at the finish. Going Haywire went one mile in 2.13, last quarter 34, looking tired. Merry Jester ran one mile in 2.18, finishing up strongly with the last quarter in 30.2.15. The Frigate did his mile in 2.20, last quarter 32.3.

Amongst the griffins that will be starting in the handicap tomorrow open to them, the training gallop done by Port Bradda is worth attention. He did one mile in 2.18.3, last quarter 30.3. His tomorrow's handicap weight is 149 lb. White Birthday also put up a good finish to his mile gallop done in 2.18.3, last quarter 31.2. His handicap weight is 150 lb. In tomorrow's "North-China Daily News" I shall hope to mention names of two or three ponies that will be returned as winners in one or another of the afternoon's eight races.

Football Fixtures Here This Week-end

The following are the S.F.A. fixtures for this week-end:—

SATURDAY

Junior Cup 1st Round.—Kwang Lou v. Area Details, Kiaochow, 2.45 p.m., G. Tai; Hotspurs v. Bramtoco, R.G.5, 2.45 p.m., A. L. McCorkindale.

1st division.—Seaforths v. Tung Hwa, Canidrome, 2.30 p.m., A. C. Sinclair. Line: S. E. Burt, F. C. Hale.

Reserve division.—Surreys v. S.M.P., R.G.1, C. G. R. Beynnon.

2nd division.—J.R.C. v. Area Details, R.G.2, W. A. Day; Sokol v. Brit. Navy, S.R.C., H. A. Harrs.

SUNDAY

Skottowe Cup 1st Round.—A.S.F. v S.F.X., Canidrome, 10.30 a.m., W. T. Sung. Line: K. F. Teng, C. F. Lee.

Junior Cup 1st Round.—Lido v. R.A.M.C., Kiaochow, 2.45 p.m., S. Y. Loch.

1st division.—Lusitano v. S.M.P., R.G.1, P. Drossel. Line: J. Anderson, N. Fadeyeff; S.R.C. v. Surreys, S.R.C., H. F. Marshall. Line: O. S. Chooklantzeff, E. M. Marchetti.

Reserve division.—Seaforths v. S.F.X., R.G.2, A. G. B. Carnell; Tung Hwa v. Lusitano, Kiaochow, 1.45 a.m., L. Chang.

2nd division.—J.A.C. v. P.T.H., R.G.5, G. L. Aitchison.

Sugar Bowl Football Teams Compared

Texas Christian to Meet Carnegie Tech

Fortworth, Nov. 29.

Texas Christian University, outstanding grid machine in the southwest, and Carnegie Tech, leading eastern eleven, will clash in the annual Sugar Bowl game at New Orleans, La., it was announced today.

Howard Grubbs, athletic director of Texas Christian, accepted the invitation to clash in the annual football classic. He accepted the bid from New Orleans after a long night conference during which his committee considered an offer to play in the annual Cotton Bowl game at Dallas.

Texas Christian together with Duke University and Notre Dame are considered the outstanding football teams in the country this season.

The Horned Frogs, who finished second in the southwest conference last year, swept through the loop this season in brilliant manner. Victorious over everyone of its rivals, the Texas Christian University was credited with the most successful season in history because of triumphs over three traditional rivals, Texas, Rice and Southern Methodist.

Carnegie Tech almost had a perfect season. The only spot of its otherwise perfect record is a defeat suffered early in the season against Notre Dame. The Fighting Irish whipped Carnegie Tech, 7-0, in a game which still is the subject of controversy because of alleged errors on the part of the referee who was blamed for the touchdown which led to the defeat.

This will be the first time that Carnegie Tech will appear in the Sugar Bowl Game, but Texas Christian will be making its second showing in the annual New Year's Day game.

Texas Christian 13, Centernary 0
Texas Christian 21, Arkansas 14
Texas Christian 26, Temple 6
Texas Christian 34, Texas A. and M. 6
Texas Christian 21, Marquette 0
Texas Christian 28, Texas 6
Texas Christian 39, Baylor 7
Texas Christian 29, Rice 7
Texas Christian 21, Tulsa 0
Texas Christian 20, S. Methodist 7

Carnegie Tech's Record

Carnegie 49, Davis-Elkins 0
Carnegie 32, Wittenberg 13
Carnegie 7, Holy Cross 0
Carnegie 0, Notre Dame 7
Carnegie 27, Akron U. 13
Carnegie 20, Pittsburgh 10
Carnegie 21, Duquesne 0
Carnegie 14, N. Carolina 7

—United Press.

Hotspur Soccer Team

The following will represent the Hotspurs in the Junior Cup 1st round soccer match against Bramtoco:—

J. Palma; B. Grout, M. Pereira; M. Senna, J. Remedios, E. Braga; C. Nieper; L. Costa, B. Ozorio, B. Remedios, G. Barradas. Reserves.—J. Remedios, G. Remedios.

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Pan-American Conference Opens in Lima Today

Canada May Join Union; U.S. Common Defence Programme Expected to Be Fully Endorsed

Ottawa, Dec. 7.

THE Prime Minister, Mr. W. L. Mackenzie-King, today said, "The Canadian Government has been giving careful consideration to the question of participating in the forthcoming Pan-American Conference in Lima." This has renewed speculations that Canada might soon apply for membership in the Pan-American Union, or might ask permission to send an observer to attend the Lima conference.—United Press.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 6.

The United States delegation to the Pan-American Conference arrived here today under the leadership of the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull. Authoritative sources here state that it now appears certain that the Conference will endorse in principle President Roosevelt's programme for the solidarity of the American republics against foreign aggression. Brazil, it was reported, is expected to introduce a resolution endorsing the U.S. viewpoint. Informed quarters were confident that this resolution would eventually be unanimously adopted, although some preliminary opposition is anticipated.

No written commitments are expected regarding plans for the mutual defence of the American republics against foreign aggressors. The United States is not believed to be seeking such a written accord, which Argentina and certain other countries would strongly oppose.

On landing at the Peruvian port of Callao today Mr. Hull and members of the U.S. delegation were greeted by high Peruvian Government officials.

Mr. Hull issued a statement to the press, calling upon the American republics to consolidate the gains already made toward building an international order in the western hemisphere based on "peace, confidence and a consideration for the welfare of all its peoples."

Argentine Hopeful

The Argentine Foreign Minister, Sr. Cantilo, declared that American solidarity will be the keynote of the Conference. "Argentina," he said, "will be animated by the greatest desire to collaborate in a spirit of continental solidarity and harmony."

The Conference which is to open here on Friday is expected to stir the interest of all American countries in the affairs of the Pacific Ocean. In line with the trend toward a common defence policy for the American republics the affairs transpiring on and beyond the Pacific, as well as its strategic possibilities, are expected to engage an increasing amount of attention.

The present sense of insecurity which pervades much of the American continent seems to have been caused primarily by events in Europe, but Japan's amazing rise in military power is also a matter of logical concern to the American republics since thirteen of them have Pacific coast-lines, another (Bolivia) relies upon the Pacific ports of Chile and Peru for transit of her commerce, and fourteen have a great and continuing interest in the safety of communications via the Panama Canal.

The United States, Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Chile have coast lines of the Pacific side of the Continent and the safety of their communications would be of no less importance from a Continental standpoint that the safety of the Atlantic coast and Caribbean countries.—United Press.

Brazil-Venezuela Pact

Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 6.

The Governments of Venezuela and Brazil today signed a treaty of non-aggression.

Coming on the eve of the Pan-American Conference, the new pact is hailed as a welcome augury for real progress which is expected to be made at the Conference.—United Press.

Record 'Xmas Mail By Air Route

Record Dispatches to Australia and to New Zealand from Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 8.

Christmas mail, of nearly 115 tons' weight, and comprising nearly 6,500,000 letters, was dispatched by Imperial Airways during the four weeks up to December 4.

The mail included 34 tons, comprising nearly 2,000,000 letters, dispatched last week.

Dispatches to Australia and New Zealand, for which December 2 was the closing date, totalled the highest quantity ever recorded.

Nearly fourteen tons were sent off last week, and 47½ tons during the four weeks up to December 4.

The figures for South Africa, for which the closing date is December 6, were also higher than during any other week at this period, namely, nearly eight tons, and a total of 25½ tons for the four weeks up to December 4.

Letters bound for Malaya and Hongkong were expected to reach a record figure at the beginning of this week.

Dispatches to these territories last week totalled 1½ tons and 1¼ tons respectively.

The figures for India, which should reach their peak at the end of this week, were low last week, when nearly seven tons were dispatched to India, Burma and Ceylon, making 22¾ tons sent to those places hitherto.—Reuter.

Refugee Camp Director In Custody

"Sales Department" Brings Trouble to Staff

On suspicion that they have done business in order to collect cash for their own use in the guise of philanthropy, Sun Deh-ling, director of a refugee camp at the intersection of Fukien and Canton Roads and two of his assistants, are being detained by the Second Special District Court within the jurisdiction of which the alleged crimes were committed. No definite charges have yet been framed by the police but a hearing of the case is to be held on Wednesday next.

It was revealed in court that by virtue of his position as a refugee camp director, Sun recently established a refugee camp "sales department" in a small hotel near Boulevard de Montigny selling sundry goods. In view of the approach of the new year, he printed numerous 1939 calendars for sale and asked his assistants to distribute them.

Stating that they were selling things in order to help refugees, the detained persons are alleged to have introduced a somewhat novel way of pushing the sale of their calendars. Instead of selling on cash basis Sun's assistants are alleged to have simply distributed the calendars to many alleyways in the French Concession asking the landlords or second landlords to receive them. They would come the next day to collect cash, 25 cents for each calendar. One of Sun's alleged assistants was caught by the police on Tuesday while collecting the money, and through his alleged confession the other men were arrested and their hotel establishment raided.

Apostolic Delegate to Great Britain

Status Defined in House Of Commons

London, Dec. 7.

Regarding the appointment by the Vatican of the Apostolic Delegate to Great Britain, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons today that the Apostolic Delegate was an ecclesiastical official appointed to carry out certain ecclesiastical duties, who enjoyed no diplomatic status or privileges.

The appointment was a question for the Vatican alone.

There had not hitherto been an apostolic delegate in Great Britain, Mr. Butler stated, but for some time past such delegates have been appointed to Canada, Australia, South Africa and India.—Wireless through Reuter.

French Cabinet to Win in Chamber

Paris, Dec. 8.

On the eve of the opening of the Parliamentary session, authoritative quarters yesterday believed the Government will emerge victorious from the impending discussion of its policy before the Chamber of Deputies which will convene at 3.30 p.m., today. A majority of approximately 320 votes against 240, with about 50 abstentions is the more generally accepted forecast.—Havas.

Four French Warships Patrol Straits

Incidents with Franco Ships Near Gibraltar

Gibraltar, Dec. 7.

Four French destroyers are now taking turns patrolling the Straits of Gibraltar following no less than seven incidents between French merchant vessels and Nationalist Spanish trawlers during the past ten days.

Since November 28, seven French ships have been stopped in the Straits by Franco warships. This morning, the Grand Quevilly, en route from Oran to France, was stopped and ordered by armed trawlers to proceed to Ceuta.

In response to a wireless message, however, the destroyer Basque, ordered by the French Navy Office to protect French shipping in these waters, steamed to Ceuta and obtained the release of the French ship.—Havas.

Laodah Sentenced for Drug Smuggling

$70,000 of Opium Found by Police in His Boat

Found guilty of aiding and abetting in the transportation of opium, Wang Shi-long, the laodah of a Chinese junk, was sentenced to five months' imprisonment yesterday by the Second Special District Court in connection with the seizure by the Customs River Police on November 22 of 50 tins of the drug valued at about $70,000. His two assistants were each sentenced to three months' imprisonment. The third assistant was acquitted.

Investigations of the case have not yet been completed as the owner of the drug is still at large. Wang told the court that a man travelling aboard a foreign steamer came to him and asked him to transport some goods for which he would like to pay $3. He did not know the contents of the tins put in his junk by the customer, he said. His assistants told the judge that their business was to help their laodah to transport the goods having no power to question as to what cargo he was transporting.

The authorities paid serious attention to the case considering the big quantity of drug seized in the junk which was reported to be Indian opium to be used for carrying out the opium monopoly plan. The fourth man was at first stated to be the man assigned to take delivery of the cargo but the court found him innocent.

Soviets Retort on Fishery Issue

Japan Alleged to Be Distorting Facts of Saghalien Dispute

Moscow, Dec. 8.

M. Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Foreign Minister, on November 25 informed the Japanese Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Mr. Shigenori Togo, that Russia does not consider it possible to negotiate with Japan for a long term settlement of the fishery convention dispute until Tokyo fulfills all her obligation to the Soviet, Tass, official Soviet news agency, revealed today.

Tass said that it was authorized to reveal this statement because "certain Japanese newspapers and agencies have made an attempt to misrepresent the position of the Soviet Union."

The Soviet Foreign Minister, Tass said, called the attention of Mr. Togo to the fact that the Portsmouth Treaty does not obligate the Soviet Union as regards the number of fishing lots to be placed at the disposal of the Japanese and it also does not indicate the terms of lease. Thus, M. Litvinoff said, both are subject to "voluntary agreement," Tass asserted.

M. Litvinoff, Tass said, asserted that there were repeated violations of the Portsmouth Treaty by the Japanese, and also alleged that the Japanese had violated the terms of the purchase agreement in connection with the sale of the Chinese Eastern Railway by the Soviets to Japan.—United Press.

N. China Development Company

Subsidiaries Now Being Inaugurated

Peiping, Dec. 8.

Practical steps for the multifarious enterprises to be launched by the North China Development Company were taking shape and realization of several projects was expected within the next two weeks, officials here stated today.

Mr. Sonyu Otani, president of the company, is exchanging views with officials and leading business men.

The enterprises will be started with the operation of the North China Telecommunications Company, which has been under consideration for some time. Another of the subsidiaries will be a transport company to be established in February.

Under the supervision of the Asia Development Board, the North China Development Company will be guided by the decisions reached at the recent Sino-Japanese economic conference.

With the majority of the subsidiary companies scheduled for establishment within the next year, the firm will require a capital of Y.1,420,000,000 by 1941. This will be raised by floating loans in Japan and China and by establishing credits abroad.—Domei.

Army Air Chief Post Created in Japan

New Member of "Big Four" Ranks Next to War Chief

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Creation of the post of Inspectorate-General of the Military Air Force effective on December 10 was announced today by a War Office spokesman.

The new Inspector-General will be responsible for the training of Japan's Army air force. Establishment of an air cadets' school for officers also was announced.

Ranking next in importance to the War Minister, the Chief of the Army General Staff, and the Inspector-General of Military Education, the Inspector-General of the Military Air Force henceforth will be considered one of the "big four" of the Japanese Army command, the spokesman said.—Domei.

Stan Laurel Sues Hal Roach for $700,000

Dismissal Alleged to Be Breach of Contract

Hollywood, Dec. 8.

Stan Laurel, the film comedian, has filed suit claiming $700,000 against Hal Roach studios, alleging breach of contract.

Laurel's dismissal by Mr. Hal Roach last August meant the break-up of the Laurel and Hardy team.

Laurel alleges that his dismissal made it more difficult for him to obtain other film work.—Reuter.

Spy Scare in Tokyo; Police on Guard

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Stringent police regulations to snare secret agents were enforced today as a spy scare swept the capital.

The foreign affairs section of the Metropolitan Police Board was said to have received intelligence reports to the effect that "some foreign Powers" were using agents in an attempt to steal military secrets.

Police restrictions were tightened on scientific research institutes, book stores and even economic and technical organizations. Some military secrets were reported to have leaked out through circulars and various publications which professors in institutions of higher learning have issued to exchange views with foreign authorities in various fields of research. Proprietors of book stores were cautioned to watch for "suspicious customers."—Domei.

Arms Shipped Through Indo-China

Japanese Spokesman Says Tokyo Concerned

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Japanese Navy authorities are "gravely concerned" over the continued shipment of arms and ammunition into China through French Indo-China and are keeping close watch on the situation, a spokesman of the Navy Ministry said today.

Declaring that arms transit through Indo-China was "definitely established by indisputable information," the spokesman claimed that France was responding to China's appeal for increased shipments of arms.

Four routes were said being used for this purpose, one by railway from Hanoi to Yunnanfu, another raid route from Hanoi to Lungchow in Kwangsi province, a third by waterway from Haiphong to Tongking, and the fourth by highway from Chinegar to Pakhoi.

The spokesman pointed out that since the fall of Canton, French Indo-China had become the principal artery of China's arms supplies.

Trans-shipment of arms was also being carried on from Hongkong to Pakhoi and to the French leased territory of Kwangchowwan, the spokesman said.—Domei.

British Forces in North China

Commons Informed of Disposition of Army And Navy Details

London, Dec. 8.

Particulars of the British naval and military forces in North China were given by Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, at question time in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Butler said that the British military forces on November 1 comprised 37 officers, and 855 other ranks.

Foreign garrisons in North China then were United States, 555; France, 1,529, and Italy, 342, while the strength of the Japanese garrison could not be ascertained.

These figures, Mr. Butler declared, included the garrisons at Peiping and Tientsin, and certain small detachments in the vicinity.

The disposition of the British naval forces in North China, Mr. Butler continued, was at the discretion of the Commander-in-Chief (Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble), and the allocation between North China and other parts of the station varied considerably throughout the year.

On December 5, Mr. Butler stated, the stations of British warships in North China were one escort vessel at Taku, one escort vessel at Tsingtao, and one cruiser at Weihaiwei.

At present, Mr. Butler concluded, there were no foreign warships in Chinese waters north of the Yangtze, except for a number of Japanese cruisers and destroyers.—Reuter.

Chinese Envoy to Reich To See Hitler

Credentials to Be Shown On December 15

Chungking, Dec. 8.

The Sino-German crisis, caused by the failure of the German Government to set a date for the presentation of the credentials of the new Chinese Ambassador in Berlin, Mr. Chen Chieh, has blown over.

According to an announcement by the spokesman of the Foreign Office, the German Foreign Office has officially informed the Chinese Embassy that the date for the presentation of Mr. Chen's credentials has been fixed for December 15.—Reuter.

Government Changes In the U.S.S.R.

Moscow, Dec. 8.

Comrade Nicolai Yejov has been, on his own request, releaved of his functions as People's Commissar for the Interior, while retaining his post of Commissar for Transports by Water, it is semi-officially announced here today. Comrade Lavrenti Beria—the new right-hand man of Stalin—has been nominated to the post left vacant.—Havas.

Nazi Reich Feeling Economic Pinch

Fuehrer's Hold Unshaken But Regime Imperilled

London, Dec. 7.

Economic conditions in Germany are becoming increasingly difficult, the political correspondent of the "Daily Express" declared today.

This economic pinch, he said, was leading to political tension in Germany which even involved the stability of the Nazi regime. As a consequence, the popularity of most Nazi leaders was reported to be diminishing throughout the country.

This did not apply to the Reichsfuehrer, Herr Adolf Hitler, who has continued to enjoy as great a popularity as ever, the correspondent concluded.—United Press.

Feng Yu-hsiang Due In Chungking

Chungking, Dec. 8.

General Feng Yu-hsiang, Chairman of the National Military Council, widely known as the "Christian General," is expected to arrive in Chungking today, according to Chinese reports.—Reuter.

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BAR SILVER

	Ready	For'd
London pence per std. oz.	20 1/16	19 7/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	50.13	—

Bombay offtake 50 bars.

London silver was 1/16 down for ready and unchanged forward, being 20 1/16 for ready and 19 7/16 forward. New York was unchanged at 42¾ and Bombay was 4 annas up at 50.13.

It was reported there was no special feature. Market quietly steady. After the official fixing the market was steady but idle.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8 7/32 sterling and 16.– U.S.$.

The Interbank market was quiet and inclined to be easy especially for near delivery. At the opening there were sellers for cash at 8 15/64 sterling and 16 1/16 U.S.$ and though cash and December lost 1/64th sterling and 1/32 U.S.$ on the day the forward rates were unchanged.

At the close there were sellers at:

8 7/32 sterling	16 1/32 U.S.$	Cash
8 13/64 ,,	15 31/32 ,,	Dec.
8 3/16 ,,	15 31/32 ,,	Jan.

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: Dec. 7.

Japan	78⅝	London	1/5 23/32
New York	285¾	2 mths	
Shanghai	48¼	,, (sellers)	1/5⅞
Hongkong	86¼	,, (buyers)	1/5 57/64

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	468.50	Shanghai	8½d. N.
Paris	177.50	Bombay	1/5 23/32
Berlin	11.68½	Hongkong	1/3 1/16
Amsterdam	8.61¼	Singapore	2/4
Brussels	27.84	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	100.00	,, (buying)	unq.
Milan	89.00	C'slovakia	136.81S.
Berne	20.69	S.—Sellers	

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.08	Japan	27.31
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.20
Holland	54.39	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.63⅝	C'slovakia	3.42½
Brussels	16.83	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.74
S'zerland	22.64	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.11½	Greece	0.86⅛
Norway	23.52	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	20.89	Finland	2.08
Montreal	99.150	Poland	18.89
Brazil	5.90		

London	4.63 1/16
,, Demand	4.68 1/16
,, Bankers' 60 days bills	4.67 1/16
,, Commercial 60 days bills	4.67 7/16
Buenos Aires Paper	29.04
,, ,, ,, market rate	22.77
Montreal on London	4.72

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: Dec. 7.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 19/32%
Banks Bills,	6 months	0⅞%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0½%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B / 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B / 0½%A
Call Money	½%

A—Asked B—Bid.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Dec. 8.	Opening Prices 9.45 a.m.	2.45 p.m.
Antamok	.50	.50
Baltoc	9.80x	9.80
Benguet Consolidated	13.10	13.20
Coco Grove	.49	.49
Consolidated Mines	.003	.003
Demonstration	.28	.29
Masbate	.22	.22
North Camarines	.67	.68
San Mauricio	1.78	1.78
Surigao Consolidated	.39	.39
United Paracale	.49	.49

Turnover: 664,000 Pesos.
Shares Index: (closing prices) 109.18.
x—Ex. Dividend.—Reuter.

November Rubber Outputs

	lb.
Alma Estates, Ltd.	36,000
Batu Anam (Johore) Rubber Estates, Ltd.	26,000
Chemor United Rubber Co., Ltd.	32,000
Cheng Rubber Estates, Ltd.	16,000
Kapayang Rubber Estates, Co., Ltd.	8,000
Repah Rubber & Tapioca Ltd.	28,000
Rubber Trust, Ltd.	137,000
Semambu Rubber Estates, Ltd.	25,000
Samagaga Rubber Co., Ltd.	22,000
Senawang Rubber Estates Co., (1921) Ltd.	21,000
Shanghai Malay Rubber Estates, Ltd.	26,000
Shanghai Seremban Rubber Estates, Ltd.	11,000
Sua Manggis Rubber Co., Ltd.	13,000
Tebong Rubber Estates, Ltd.	59,000

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The principal feature in today's market was the increased activity in Ewo Cotton shares resulting from the Company's announcement of the issue of new shares and the payment of an interim dividend of 75 cents per share. Opening with business at $16.70 and advancing to $17.50 approximately 25,000 shares were transacted, the market closing a little easier with buyers at $17.00 and sellers at $17.10.

Except for Trusts and Loans done at slightly lower rates there was no marked change in the other active stocks.

Wharves:—came into the market at $175 and 1,800 Trams (B) changed hands at $37.75 and $38.00 closing with buyers at $38.00 and sellers at $38.50.

Debentures: — Were moderately quiet except for $44,000 Power 5½ per cent. at $82.00 and US$10,000 Boxer Indemnity Loans at US$68.00.

Official Averages

1938 High	Low		Today's Averages	Change
144.21	100.45	General	134.08	+1.32
149.31	95.55	Rubbers	141.90	+0.03

Total 89,315 shares, 741 bonds.

Morning Session

₮1,200 China Realty 8% Debs.	₮ 50.00
$2,000 Realty Invest. 6% Debs.	$ 70.00
40 S'hai Power (Pref)	$121.75
1,000 S'hai Land	$ 9.20
1,400 Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 17.00
500 S'hai Loan	$ 6.05
100 Kaiping	$ 27.00
100 Wheelock	$ 31.50
300 Wheelock	$ 31.25
1,000 I. I. Trust	$ 2.60
2,000 Exploration	$ 8.10
500 New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.65
100 Kaiping	$ 27.00
1,000 S'hai Loan	$ 6.05
300 Wheelock	$ 31.25
1,000 S'hai Loan	$ 6.05
500 S'hai Land	$ 9.20
100 Wheelock	$ 31.50

ODD LOTS

500 Cathay Land	$ 2.25
3 H. & S. Bank	Hk.$1,400.00
500 Cathay Land	$ 2.25
200 S'hai Land	$ 9.20
6 S'hai Telephone	$ 65.00
300 S'hai Land	$ 9.20
100 Exploration	$ 8.10
500 Int. Assurance	$ 3.90
140 S'hai Land	$ 9.20

London Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Dec. 7.

The early improvement in Kaffirs, following Cape and local support, imparted a more cheerful tone to most groups in the Stock Exchange today, though trading was only light. British gilt-edged securities ruled very firm and, at lower levels, attracted increased support.—Reuter.

Dec.	6	7
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£98⅜	98 11/16
JAPANESE BONDS		
Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	47	47
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	57¼	57½
Osaka, Dec. 8.		
Kogo 5%		Y.103.27
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL		
Allied Ironfounders	19/6	19/6
Armstrong Stevens	8/6	8/6
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	39/3	39/3
Austin Motor, ord.	24/4½	24/4½
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	21/1½	22/6
British American Tob.	98/9	99/4½
Cable & W., new form	36¾	36
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/9	7/7½
Courtaulds	28/-	28/-
Distillers	89/9	90/-
Dunlop Rubber	23/7½	23/7½
General Elec. (Eng.)	77/4½	77/4½
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	103/3	103/-
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	23/7½	23/6
Imp. Chem. Indus.	30/1½	29/10½
Imp. Tobacco	130/-	131/3
Leyland Motors	90/7½	90/7½
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	55/7½	55/7½
Pressed Steel, com.	14/10½	15/-
Rolls-Royce	110/-	110/-
Smethwick Drop Forgings	16/9	16/9
Tate & Lyle	77/6	78/1½
Turner & Newall	77/10½	78/3
United Steel	22/3	22/3
Vickers, ord.	23/-	23/-
Woolworths	57/4½	56/6
MISCELLANEOUS		
Anglo Dutch	26/-	26/-
Rubber Pltn. Trust	28/-	28/-
MINES		
Burma Corp.	8/10½	8/9
Commonwealth Min.	1/7½	1/7½
Marsman Invests.	16/6	16/6
Randfontein Ests.	40/4½	40/7½
Sub-Nigel	235/-	236/3
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.
Western Holdings	13/10½	14/1½
OILS		
Anglo Iranian	92/6	92/6
Burmah	84/4½	83/9
Mexican Eagle	4/10½	5/-
Shell Trans. & Trad.	81/10½	81/10½
CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£74	74
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	71½	71½
4½% Anglo-French Loan	68	68
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	39½	38½
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	53½	53½
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	13½	13½
5% Honan Rly., 1905	26	26
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	25½	25½
5% ,, ,, (Ger. Is.)	23½	23½
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	24½	24½
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	18½	18½
5% ,, ,, G.	18	18
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) B.	18	18
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) G.	18	18
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	19	19
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½ N	19½ N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30½	30½
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	9½	9½
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	83	82
,, ,, (Col. Reg.)	84½	84
Chinese Eng. & Min.	18/6	18/6
Chosen Corp.	7/6	7/6
Pekin Syndicate	2/- N	2/- N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	21/3	21/3

N—Nominal.

British Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Dec. 7.

In the commodity section, copper held firm following the announcement that output would be restricted to 105 per cent. as from December 15 and to 100 per cent. as from January 1, 1939. This move, though anticipated, assisted market sentiment.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 8 +⅛; sellers 8 1/16 +⅛; Jan. delivery, buyers 8 +⅛; sellers 8 1/16 +1/16.

London Sugar (Buyers): Mar. 5/11 +1¼; May 5/11¼ +1¼; Aug. 5/11¾ +1.

Liverpool Wheat: Dec. 4/8 +⅜; Mar. 4/6⅝ —¼; May 4/7½ +¼.

Liverpool Cotton: Amer. Futures: Jan. 4.65 +6; Mar. 4.65 +6; May 4.61 +5; July 4.57 +4; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7): Jan. 7.33 +1; Mar. 7.29 +1; May 7.29 +3.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £43 7/16 +1 1/16; 3 mths sellers £43 11/16 +1 1/16; Electrolytic, buyers £49¼ +1¼; sellers £49¾ +1; Tin, Standard, cash, sellers £215¼ +1½; 3 mths sellers £216 +1½; Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £15 3/16 unch; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £15⅜ unch; Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13¾ +¼; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £13 15/16 +¼.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 7.

In a session of dull trading today, stock prices on Wall Street mostly finished from fractions to about one point higher. Buyers were not aggressive, despite the growing belief that the reaction has run its course and talk of a year-end rally. Aircrafts remained in the limelight, while steels eased from the day's best levels, despite a brightening steel outlook for the new year. Coppers responded to the quota cuts, whilst motors were aided by the Detroit estimate of retail sales for December being at least 10 per cent. ahead of those of last year. In the meantime, the underlying sentiment is more cheerful, with many quarters who were recently bearish now viewing the future with mild optimism. The turnover for the day amounted to 1,100,000 shares.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	149.98	148.30	148.73	+0.40
20 Rails	30.05	29.28	29.44	+0.31
15 Utilit.	22.14	21.65	21.72	—0.05
40 Bonds	—	—	89.09	unch.
11 Commod.	—	—	47.62	+0.19

Dec.	6	7
Adam Express	10¼	10½
Allehany Ludlum Steel	24½	25
Allis Chalmers	46	46¼
Amerada Corp.	70	70
Amer. Can	95	95
Amer. & For. Power	3⅛	3⅛
,, $7 pfd.	16¾	16½
Amer. Locomotive	25½	25¼
Amer. Metal	38	40¼
Amer. Radiator	16¼	16½
Amer. Rolling Mill	20¼	20⅛
Amer. Smelting	51¾	52
Amer. Sugar Refining	21½	21⅜
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	148¾	148½
Amer. Tobacco "B"	86¼	86½
Amer. Waterworks	12¼	12⅛
Anaconda Copper	33⅜	34⅜
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	36⅝	36⅞
Auburn	3⅞	B 3¾
Baltimore & Ohio	6¾	6¾
Barber Asphalt Corp.	19	19
Barnsdall Oil Co.	17½	17½
Bethlehem Steel	71⅛	71½
Boeing Airplane Co.	31⅝	31¾
Borg Warner	31	31⅜
Briggs Mfg. Co.	28¼	28⅞
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	13⅛	13
,, $6 cum. pfd.	42⅞	41⅝
Can. Pacific Rly.	5⅝	5¾
Case, J.I.	87	90¼
Chase Nat. Bank	B 28¼	B 29
Chesapeake & Ohio	32¾	33¼
Chrysler	79¼	79¾
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6⅝	6⅝
,, "A" pfd.	75½	77
Coml. Credit	57	58
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1½	1½
,, $6 cum. pfd.	B 46⅝	46½
Consolid. Edison	28⅝	28¼
Consolid. Oil	8½	8½
Continental Can	38⅞	39¼
Continental Oil	28½	29
Corn Products	62⅞	62½
Curtiss Wright (com.)	6⅝	6¾
,, ,, "A"	26¼	26⅜
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	21	XD 20¼
Douglas Aircraft	70¾	70¾
Du Pont de Nemours	145	144½
Eagle Picher Lead	12¾	13
Elec. Bond & Share	9⅞	9⅞
,, ,, $5 pfd.	55¼	55
,, ,, $6 pfd.	63	63
Elec. Power & Light. pfd.	35	35¼
Flintkote	26⅝	26¼
Gen. Amer. Trans.	53¾	XD 53
Gen. Electric	41⅝	41½
Gen. Motors	48¼	48⅝
Gen. Rly. Signal	21¼	21⅛
Glidden	23½	23¾
Goodrich	22¾	22½
Goodrich pfd.	67¾	67⅞
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	33½	33¾
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	14¾	15¼
Great Nthrn. Rly. pfd.	23¾	24⅞
Great Western Sugar	25¼	26
Greyhound Corp	19⅞	19⅞
Hecker Products	10⅝	10⅜
Homestake Mining	61⅜	60⅝
Int. Nickel	53	53½
Int. Tel. & Tel.	8⅝	9
Johns Manville	100	101
Kennecott	43	43½
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	52	52½
Lockheed Aircraft	29½	29¾
Loews Inc.	60	59⅝
Manhattan Shirt Co.	13⅛	B 13
Martin, Glen	33⅛	34¼
McKesson & Rob. $3 pfd.	B 25	B 22¼
,, ,,	32A	A 23¼
Monsanto Chemical	106	106
Montgomery Ward	50	50½
Nat. City Bank	B 22	B 22
Nat. City Bank	B 22	B 22
Nat. Dairy Products	12⅝	12¾
Nat. Distillers	28½	28
Nat. Gypsum	14⅜	14½
Nat. Lead	26¾	27⅛
Nat. Power & Light	7½	7⅜
Nat. Supply Co. of Penn.	17	18⅛
New York Central	17¾	17½
North Amer. Aviation	16½	16¼
North American	21¼	21⅛
Northern Pacific	10⅝	10⅜
Pacific Gas & Elec.	28	28¼
Pacific Lighting	40¾	41¼
Packard Motors	4⅝	4½
Paramount Pictures Inc.	11½	11⅝
Pennsylvania R.R.	19¾	20½
Phelps Dodge	42	42⅜
Phillips Petroleum	40½	40¾
Public Serv. of N.J.	30¼	30⅛
Pure Oil	10⅛	10
Radio Corp. of Amer.	7½	7⅞
Republic Steel Co.	22½	22⅛
Reynold Tobacco "B"	43¾	44
Schenley	18⅝	18¼
Schenley 5½% pfd.	76½	75½
Sears Roebuck	73¼	73
Shell Union Oil	14⅛	14¼
Socony-Vacuum	13¾	13½
Sthrn. Pacific	17½	17½
Sthrn. Rly. $5 pfd.	28½	29⅜
Stand. Brands	6¾	6⅞
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3⅝	3½
Stand. Oil of N.J.	50½	50¼
Stone & Webster	13½	13½
Swift International	27½	27⅝
Technicolor	20½	20½
Texas Corp.	44⅜	44⅜
Texas Gulf Sulphur	32	32
Transamerica (new)	7	6⅞
Tw. Century Fox Film, com.	25½	25½
,, ,, pfd.	35	Unq.
Un. Carbide & Carbon	84½	85¾
Un. Pacific	92½	91¼
Un. Aircraft (new)	38¾	38½
Un. Air Lines Trans.	12¼	11⅞
Un. Corp.	3	3
,, $3 pfd.	33⅜	33⅜
Un. Gas Corp.	2¾	2¾
Un. Gas Improvement	11	10⅞
U.S. Rubber	49	49⅛
,, 8% pfd.	107	105¾
U.S. Steel (no par)	63	61½
Vanadium	25	25¼
Warner Bros. Picts.	6	6
Westinghouse Elec.	113⅜	114⅛
Woodward Iron	24½	24½
BONDS		
Amer. & For. Power	53	53¾
Brazil	9¼	9½
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	16¼	16½
Cities Serv. Pwr.	72	72½
Erie R.R. 5s 1967	11	11⅛
Int. Tel. & Tel. Conv. 4½s.	99¾	99⅞
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	69¾	69½
New England Gas & Elec.	Unq.	55½
Peru	Unq.	9¼
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	49½	49¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	59⅞	60

A—Asked. B—Bid. XD—Ex Dividend. —Reuter.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Sentiment on the Stock Exchange appears to be more friendly than it has been for the past several weeks. However, caution remains unrelaxed, while considerable selectivity in purchases is noted. Business news continues to be encouraging. However, irregularity in the London stock market reflected the foreign situation. The "Iron Age" statement that the buying movement is holding well aided steels. Electricity output for the week ended December 3 touched the best level since the record high of September 4, 1937. We expect that carloadings for the week will be well above the corresponding period of last year. However, commodities are failing to reflect the business improvement.

Reichsmark Rates

Berlin, Dec. 8.

Reichsmark quotations without guarantee:

New York 40.09, Paris 1570.00, Amsterdam 73.65 to 73.70, London 11.69.

Paris quoted sterling at 177.33 to 177.38 and the U.S. dollar at 37.81 to 37.82.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 7.

In the absence of any incentive, traders in the cotton market kept to the side-lines, awaiting the Bureau report tomorrow and the outcome of the Farmers' Referendum. Prices early advanced on Liverpool and Bombay cables and trade and commission house buying, but later reacted on liquidation. At the close, quotations were from 1 to 3 points up from the previous final levels.

Rubber prices continued the upward climb on demand credited to Japanese interests and commission house, which absorbed dealer offerings and profit-taking on the scale-up. Some factory interest was maintained. At the last call-over, gains from 14 to 19 points were registered.

Profit-taking and the heaviness of Winnipeg cables wiped out early rallies in the Chicago Wheat Pit. The larger estimate of the Argentine crop, with harvesting reported to be in full swing, more than offset deterioration reports from Kansas and the strength of corn and securities markets. Mills were fair buyers. At the final bell, losses of ⅛ cent. were recorded.

In the sugar market, owing to the firmness of London cables, trade and commission house buying absorbed offerings, liquidation and hedge-selling. At the end of the day's trading, quotations ranged from 1 to 1½ points up from yesterday.

Values improved in the silk market in sympathy with other markets, together with reports of more lively interest for actuals from weavers and knitters and the increased reserve of sellers. The turnover was small, amounting to only 11 contracts. At the close, quotations were from unchanged to 3 points up.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
Jan.	8.32-32	+03	Jan.	16.15 B.	+19
Mar.	8.27-27	+03	Mar.	16.13-15	+17
May	8.90-10	+02	May	16.12-15	+14
July	7.83-83	+01	July	16.16-16	+17
Oct.	7.50-50	+02			

New York Sugar No. 4		New York Silk	
Mar. 1.08-09 B/A	+1½	Dec. 1.73-73	+½
May 1.10-10½A	+1		

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May 66⅞-67	—⅛	May 51⅞-51¾	+½
July 66½-66⅝	—⅛	July 52⅝-52½	+⅜

Winnipeg Wheat

May	62½-62⅝	—¾
July	63⅛-63⅛	—½

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

U.S. Electricity Output On Upgrade

New York, Dec. 7.

Electricity output in the United States during the week ended December 3 were placed at 2,286,000,000 kilowatt hours, according to the weekly report issued today by the Edison Electric Institute.

This shows a gain of 6.2 per cent. over the corresponding period of last year, when the output totalled 2,153,000,000 kilowatt hours.

Production during the previous week amounted to 2,184,000,000 kilowatt hours, representing an increase of 5.7 per cent. over the same week in 1937.—Reuter.

U.S. Crude Oil Production

New York, Dec. 7.

Crude oil production in the United States averaged 3,224,000 barrels daily during the week ended December 3, according to statistics compiled by the Petroleum Institute of New York.

This shows a decrease of 37,000 barrels from last week's daily average figure.

The output during the corresponding period in 1937 averaged 3,387,000 barrels each day, indicating an advance of 163,000 barrels over the figure recorded during the period under review.—Reuter.

Copper Quotas to Be Cut Progressively

London, Dec. 8.

The copper quota will be decreased to 105 per cent., effective as from December 15, according to an official announcement made yesterday by the copper producing companies operating under the restriction scheme. It has also been agreed that, as from January 1, the quota will be further decreased to 100 per cent.—Reuter.

London Silver Market

London, Dec. 7.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Company, in their weekly bullion letter, write:—

The reaction in the dollar/sterling exchange influenced lower silver prices in the London silver market during the past week, but this did not always find full reflection in the fixed quotations, which occasionally showed a premium over the dollar parity. This was due to sellers holding back, while demand improved.

India worked both ways, but again sold on balance, while the Continent bought. America bought cash and forward, but took advantage of the premium over the dollar parity to resell when the opportunity occurred.—Reuter.

ALL THE BEAUTIES OF VIENNA adored him!

And all the husbands hated him!

WILLIAM POWELL

Escapade

with LUISE RAINER
FRANK MORGAN
REGINALD OWEN
MADY CHRISTIANS
VIRGINIA BRUCE
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Watch For It!

Sino-Japanese War's Effect on Shipping

Chairman of P.&O. Tells Result on Traffic

London, Dec. 7.

The adverse effect on cargo and passenger trade of the Sino-Japanese and Spanish wars was the subject of a report by Sir William Crawford Currie, Chairman of the P. & O., at a general meeting of the company today.

Sir William Currie said that, owing to unsettled conditions in the Far East, the volume of cargo outward had dwindled considerably during the past year.

This was offset, to some extent, by increased rates of freight on certain commodities.

The export trade of China, the Chairman asserted, had been dislocated, but China's powers of recovery were such that, given peace, he was confident trade would resume its normal course within a short time after the end of hostilities.

The holiday traffic from India and China to Japan, which was on the upward trend, had disappeared, he added.—Reuter.

Italian Arms Sold to Salvador Watched

Large Staff of Firm Rouses Suspicion in U.S.

Washington, Dec. 6.

Administration officials are stated to be watching closely the efforts of Italian armaments firms to push sales in El Salvador, which is within easy air-raid distance of the Panama Canal.

The Italian Government does not maintain a military or air mission there, but the sales staff of an Italian arms firms, consisting of four men, headed by a Colonel of the Italian Army Reserve, is felt to be larger than any anticipated profits would warrant, and the suspicion has been aroused that it is subsidised by the Italian Government.

Relations between El Salvador and the United States have been strained for nearly ten years.—Reuter.

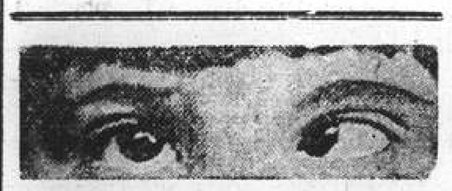
People of Japan to Be Consulted on Control

Premier to Make Appeal On Mobilization Plans

Tokyo, Dec. 7.

The people of Japan will be invited by the Premier, Prince Ayamaro Konoye, to join the proposed national mobilization organization, soon to come into being, through a statement to the press to be made as soon as preparations to launch the new body are completed, it was learned here today.

Detailed plans for the personnel and the operation of the new government agency which will be aimed at marshalling all resources of the nation to assist in the present campaign in China, were mapped out at a series of conferences attended by eight leading Ministers.—Domei.



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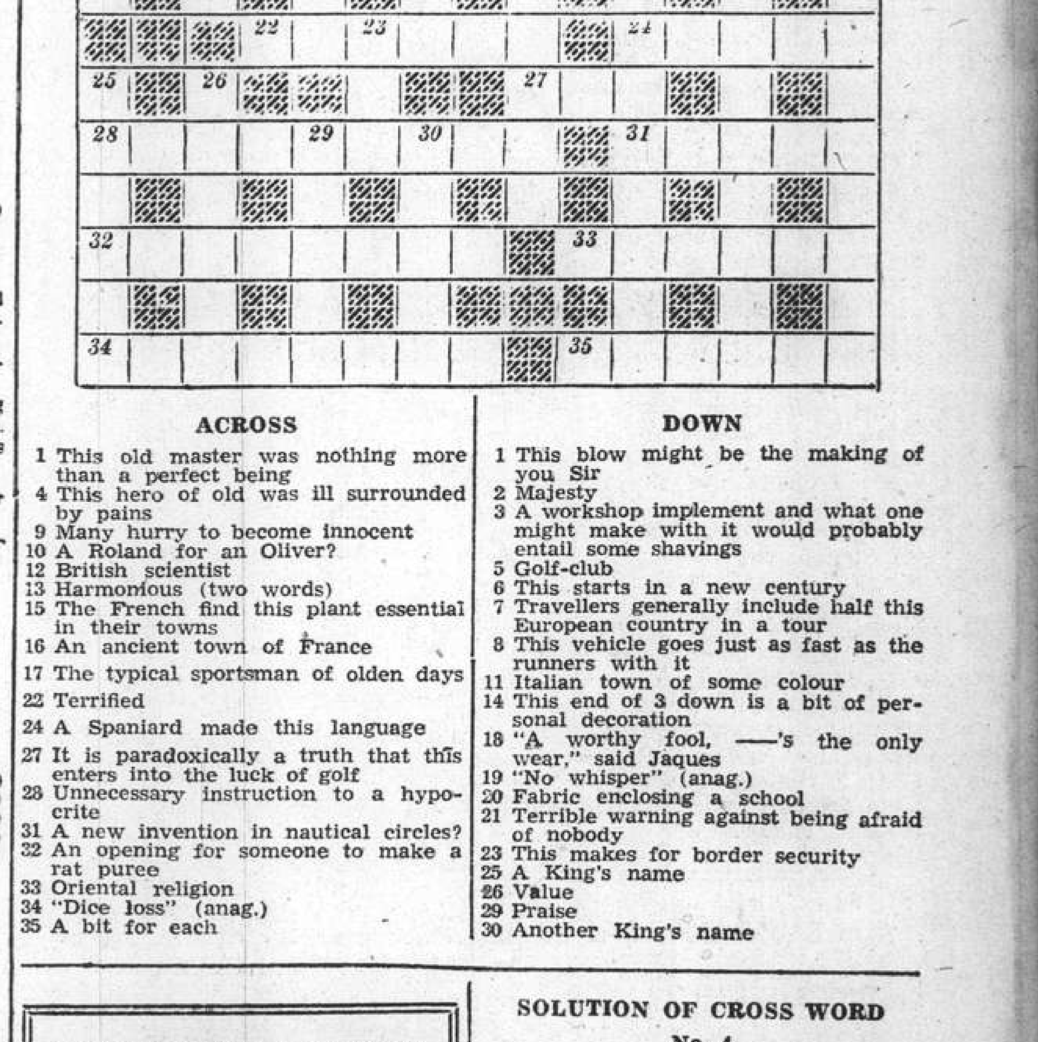

ACROSS

1 This old master was nothing more than a perfect being
4 This hero of old was ill surrounded by pains
9 Many hurry to become innocent
10 A Roland for an Oliver?
12 British scientist
13 Harmonious (two words)
15 The French find this plant essential in their towns
16 An ancient town of France
17 The typical sportsman of olden days
22 Terrified
24 A Spaniard made this language
27 It is paradoxically a truth that this enters into the luck of golf
28 Unnecessary instruction to a hypocrite
31 A new invention in nautical circles?
32 An opening for someone to make a rat puree
33 Oriental religion
34 "Dice loss" (anag.)
35 A bit for each

DOWN

1 This blow might be the making of you Sir
2 Majesty
3 A workshop implement and what one might make with it would probably entail some shavings
5 Golf-club
6 This starts in a new century
7 Travellers generally include half this European country in a tour
8 This vehicle goes just as fast as the runners with it
11 Italian town of some colour
14 This end of 3 down is a bit of personal decoration
18 "A worthy fool, ——'s the only wear," said Jaques
19 "No whisper" (anag.)
20 Fabric enclosing a school
21 Terrible warning against being afraid of nobody
23 This makes for border security
25 A King's name
26 Value
29 Praise
30 Another King's name

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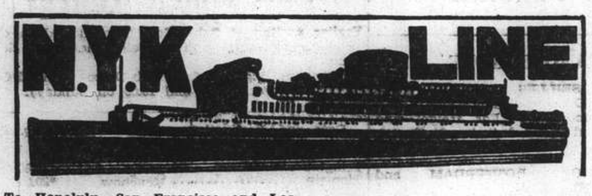

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C	HELENUS	Liverpool	Dec. 20	Dec. 21	Dairen
C	PREMIUS	New York	Dec. 22	Dec. 23	Hongkong
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A	SARPEDON	Liverpool	Jan. 4	Jan. 5	Japan Ports
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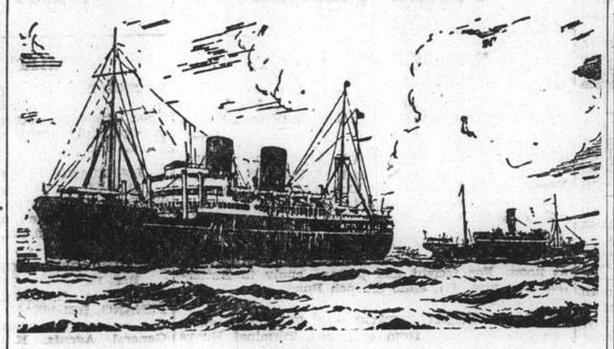

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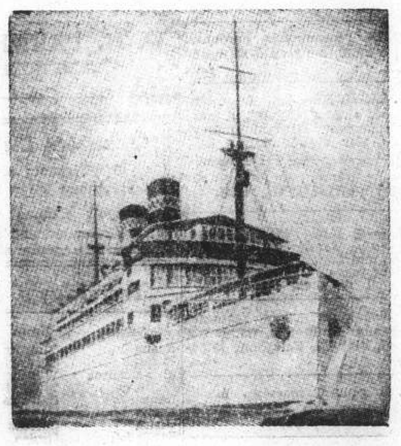

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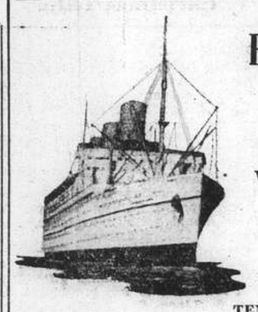

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11.00 p.m.	" "	Midnight
7.30 a.m.	Monday, Dec. 12	8.30 a.m.
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Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

KANCHOW Dec. 9. TIENTSIN.—Leaves on Friday, Dec. 9, at 10 a.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 9-12

CHENGTU Dec. 10. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Saturday, Dec. 10, at 11 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 10-12

HSIN PEKING Dec. 11. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Sunday, Dec. 11, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 11-12

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SANDVIKEN Dec. 9. HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Friday, Dec. 9, at 3.30 p.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 9-12

KIANGSU Dec. 10. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, Dec. 10, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 10-12

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HUNAN Dec. 13. HONGKONG. — From French Bund on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 3 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 13-12

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JAPAN

NANKIN Dec. 9. (From Shanghai) MOJI, KOBE, OSAKA and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428 (3 lines). 9-12

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AENEAS Dec. 13. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—First Class Passenger Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 13-12

STRAITS AND EUROPE

C. OF NEWCASTLE Dec. 10. HAVRE, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, ANTWERP and GLASGOW.—The Ellerman Line steamer City of Newcastle is due to sail for Havre, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Antwerp and Glasgow at daylight on December 10, 1938. (Ready to load December 8), Lacey and Cannan, Ltd. Tel. 12854. (3 lines). 10-12

MARBURG Dec. 10. MALTA, MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, LISBON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and BREMEN via SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, COLOMBO, PORT SUDAN and PORT SAID. —For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 10-12

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STRAITS AND EUROPE

HECTOR Dec. 11. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM and GLASGOW.—First Class Passenger accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 11-12

KULMERLAND Dec. 12. GENOA, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS.—(Captain W. Pschunder), on or about December 12, 1938. For freight and passage please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 12-12

SCHARNHORST Dec. 13. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 13-12

TEMERAIRE Dec. 16. CASABLANCA, HAVRE, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE and PORT SAID.—Motorvessel Temeraire of the Wilhelmsen Lines will be despatched from Shanghai on or about December 16, for the above-mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading issued for all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. For freight or passage please apply to Dodwell and Company, Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 16-12

GLENAPP Dec. 17. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 17-12

NORDMARK Dec. 19. ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS.—(Captain C. Wullweber), on or about Dec. 19, 1938. For freight please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 19-12

CORFU Dec. 20. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 1.30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 20. Hand packages only will be accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage will be received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 19. Customs Permit required for nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 20-12

MAR. JOFFRE Dec. 22. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 Avenue Edward VII. Tel. 82034. 22-12

BANGALORE Dec. 27. BOMBAY, MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP and LONDON via HONGKONG, STRAITS and CEYLON.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., 27 The Bund. Tel. 11428. 27-12

NANKING Dec. 27. ALGIERS, ORAN, CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, OSLO and GOTHENBURG.—The Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.'s m.s. Nanking will leave Shanghai on or about December 27, for the above mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading to all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. Cargo for U.K. ports accepted on Optional Bs/L. For freight and passage please apply to the Ekman Foreign Agencies Ltd., Hamilton House, Foochow Road Entrance. Tel. 11330. 27-12

AUSTRALASIA

NANKIN Dec. 9. (From Shanghai) RABAUL, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via JAPAN and PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 9-12

CHANGTE Dec. 13. (From Hongkong) MANILA, THURSDAY I., CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.—Australian-Oriental Line Ltd., Agents, Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 13-12

Vessels Discharging

BERTRAM RICKMERS. From Continent and way ports arrived on December 6, and has discharged her cargo at the Old Ningpo Wharf under terms and conditions of the Wharf Tariff. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. Examination of damaged cargo to be held at the Old Ningpo Wharf on Friday, December 9, at 9 a.m., by Messrs. Tesdorpf, Hannig & Co. Claims must be presented within 14 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Rickmers-Linie, 9 Ave. Edw. VII. Tel. 83308. 9-12

BANGALORE. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Bangalore, from London and Ports. —This steamer is discharging Cargo at the Pootung Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be required to send their Representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such Cargo whilst it is being landed. Examination of ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Pootung Wharf on Wednesday, December 14, at 9 a.m., by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in within fifteen days from date of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risks of Fire etc. at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of the Cargo. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents. 9-12

HAKUSAN MARU. The N.Y.K. s.s. Hakusan Maru, from London via Ports arrived December 7, and is discharging her cargo at the Wayside Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their cargo. Damaged Cargo will be examined at the wharf on Tuesday, December 13, at 9 a.m. by Marine Surveyors, Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. Claims must be presented within 14 days of the vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Should the cargo not be imported within 15 days of the arrival of the vessel compulsory Customs Examination will be held before the goods can be placed in Bond. This Company accepts no responsibility whatsoever for any damage sustained as a result of the Examination. Nippon Yusen Kaisya, Shanghai Branch. 9-12

Post Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times
(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	*Per*		*Reg.*	*Ord.*
FRIDAY, Dec. 9.				
Tsingtao and Dairen	Tsingtao M.		*20.00	7.15
Tientsin	Kanchow		*20.00	7.30
Haimen Che.	Santarem		9.00	9.30
Hongkong and Canton	Sandviken		13.00	13.30
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Kiangsu	A	—	—
Kiangpei Offices east of Haian	Tejo		16.30	17.00
Foochow	Prominent	X	16.30	17.00
SATURDAY, Dec. 10.				
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.		*20.00	7.15
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Jenny Moller		7.30	9.00
Chinwangtao	Jenny Moller		8.30	9.00
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Chengtu		8.30	9.00
Swatow Hongkong Kwongchowwan and Yunnan ..	Kiangsu		9.00	9.30
Kwangtung and Kwangsi	Kiangsu		9.00	9.30
Haimen Che.	Hanna		12.00	12.30
Nantung	Nantung M.		14.30	15.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez (Y) Europe (Y)	Hector	B	14.30	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	Hector		15.30	16.00
Wenchow	M. Francisca		19.30	20.00
Swatow and Hongkong ..	Taisang		19.30	20.00
Kwangtung	Taisang		19.30	20.00
SUNDAY, Dec. 11.				
Chefoo and Tientsin	Hsin Peking		9.30	10.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Wingsang		10.00	10.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	Wingsang		10.00	10.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 9th.
B Parcel mail for S.S., Gt. Britain and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 10th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Y Superscribed correspondence.
Z Parcel mail only.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.
Next steamer mails will be closed as follow :—
ss. Hector, via Suez, December 10, due London January 14.
ss. Empress of Canada, via Pacific, December 12, due London January 15.
ss. Scharnhorst, via Suez, December 13, due London January 8.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Hector, at 4 p.m. on December 10, and due Bracciano, Italy on December 21, and London on December 22.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per available steamer to Hongkong.

Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Hector, at 4 p.m. on December 10, and due Amsterdam on December 25, and London on December 26.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.

Air France (Hanoi-Marseilles) from Hongkong per available steamer to Hanoi every Saturday.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service :—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m.

Domestic Air Mail

Air mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.

Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hanoi, French Indo-China, for further transmission by the Eurasia Hanoi-Kunming plane.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Yunho; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.; for Kashing and Sunkiang close daily at 9 a.m.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Kiukiang per available steamer via Wenchow.

Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Haian via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 p.m.

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TJISAROEA. The J.C.J.L. ss. Tjisaroea, from Soerabaia, Tegal, Semarang, Batavia and Hongkong arrived on the 6th instant, and has discharged her cargo at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bs/L. for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at Wharf and Godowns to be borne by consignees. All claims against this steamer must be sent in within 10 days after arrival otherwise they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined at above Wharf by Messrs. Scurr, Tanner & Co. on Saturday, the 10th December at 9.30 a.m. It is necessary to produce Bills of Lading also Shippers Invoice at the examination. Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4) Lines. 10-12

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SS. HOTEN MARU	Dec. 18	Dec. 20 at 9 a.m.
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